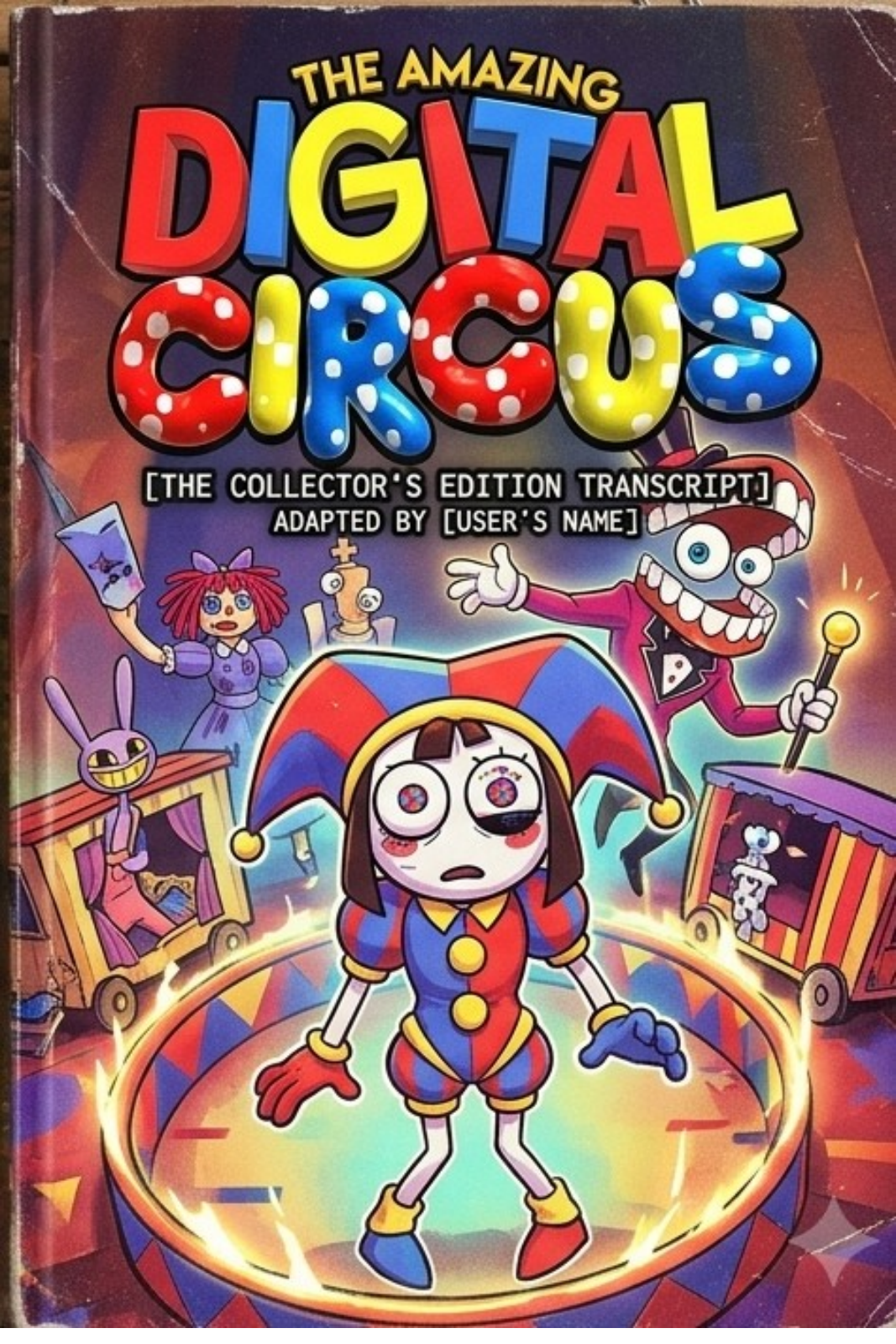
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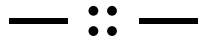

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

🎪 **CAINE** — *The Ringmaster.* A flamboyant, boundary-pushing AI with giant jaws for a head and eyes inside. He controls the rules of the Digital Circus.

🎭 **POMNI** — *The Jester.* The newest human trapped in the circus. Neurotic, anxious, and desperately searching for an exit that may not exist.

🐰 **JAX** — *The Purple Rabbit.* A laid-back, mischievous trickster who takes delight in tormenting the other residents to pass the time.

RAGATHA — *The Rag Doll.* An optimistic and empathetic figure trying her best to keep everyone's sanity intact despite the madness.

♕ **KINGER** — *The Chess Piece.* The longest-surviving human in the circus. Paranoid, easily startled, and prone to sudden outbursts of madness.

GANGLE — *The Ribbon/Mask.* Possesses a fragile Comedy Mask that breaks constantly, leaving her in a perpetual state of sadness.

ZOOBLE — *The Mix-and-Match Toy.* A cynical, irritable character made of interchangeable parts who regularly refuses to participate in Caine's adventures.

BUBBLE — *Caine's Assistant.* An eccentric, soap-bubble sidekick with a habit of licking things and saying unsettling remarks.

The Amazing Digital Circus Transcript

The pilot starts off with a landscape scene, depicted in a Nintendo 64-like style as elegant music plays in the background. The "Glitch Productions" logo fades in. "THE AMAZING DIGITAL CIRCUS" logo appears shortly after, and the camera zooms in towards, and eventually enters, a large red and yellow circus tent in the background as the graphics of the scene increase in quality.

As the camera enters the circus tent, a drum roll can be heard. The scene transitions to a dark room with curtains as the back wall, which is soon lit up by a moving spotlight; Caine, a humanoid in a ringmaster outfit and top hat with a pair of jaws encapsulating two eyeballs for a head, swirls onto screen and introduces himself as the stage lights brighten.

Caine: Welcome... to The Amazing Digital Circus! My name is Caine! I'm your ringmaster, and I'm here to show you the most jaw-dropping, heart-stopping, mind-bending paraphernalia you've ever laid your eyes upon! He pulls Bubble from his hat. Isn't that right, Bubble?

Bubble: That's right, Caine! I can't wait to see what you've got cooking up for today! Bubble smiles as he winks at the camera

Caine: Well, let's not waste any time! Let's get right into the show!

Caine and Bubble move away from the show curtain as it opens

The Amazing Digital Circus theme song plays as the main cast of characters are revealed

Gangle, and Zooble, and Kinger, too! Gangle, an anthropomorphic humanoid made of ribbons with a comedy mask for a face gleefully waves at the audience. Zooble, an anthropomorphic humanoid made of mix-and-match toy parts stands there with their arms crossed, seemingly unappeased. Kinger, an anthropomorphic white king chess piece, peeks out of their pillow fortress, before quickly ducking back into it, covering it up as they do so

Ragatha, Jax, and there's Kaufmo, woo-hoo! Ragatha, an anthropomorphic humanoid ragdoll girl waves cheerfully toward the audience. Jax, a purple anthropomorphic rabbit lies on his side, as he slyly winks at the audience. It ends on a cardboard cutout of an anthropomorphic clown, Kaufmo, which falls over as text appears that says: "*Disclaimer: Kaufmo the Clown did not show up today." Afterwards, a choir of Bubbles show up, three on each side, and bob to the music

Day after day after— day after— day after day we fly The video loops multiple times as six objects float in a circular motion. The six objects consist of: A dark blue teapot, a phonograph, a blue flower in a pot, an eyeball with a green iris, an eyeball with no pupil or iris, and a dark green pyramid. Additionally, multiple bubbles can be seen popping up, with small stars accompanying them

Past the moon and the sun, and we don't know why! The scene switches to a shot of a cloudy, blue sky as Caine twirls upwards into view, alongside Bubble. The Moon swings onto the scene and Caine points towards it, with the Sun appearing as well shortly afterwards. Caine twirls around and points to the Sun and the camera zooms out and shifts downward to reveal the circus tent, quickly cutting to a shot

of Caine and Bubble rising up toward the camera

A red and blue jester humanoid suddenly pops into existence as the six objects from earlier fly through the air

Unknown: W-W-Whe— Wh— Where am I?

She gazes up at the floating objects in confusion, attempting to walk around, only to be nearly hit by a flying eyeball with a green iris that causes her to stumble backward, spotting an exit as she does so. She quickly runs towards it, but it dissolves right as she's about to open it. A top hat zooms past, knocking her over in the process. A big blue flower pot quickly follows, nearly falling on her as it glitches into the ground GMod-style, which frightens her. She attempts to inch away from the glitching flower pot and accidentally knocks over Jax, causing Kinger and Gangle to fall over too, breaking Gangle's comedy mask— which reveals a tragedy mask that takes its place—while the theme song slows down and stops

The jester backs away as Kinger and Jax get up, while Gangle remains on the floor, sulking over her broken comedy mask. Ragatha and Zooble show up, peering at the jester

Jax: Caine, is this one of your NPCs, or is this a new sucker? 'Cause if it's a new character, we're gonna have to redo this whole theme song! Jax points toward the jester as he looks up at Caine, bothered by the possibility of redoing their theme song

Zooble: I'm not doing that again.

Jax looks at Zooble in a disdainful way

Caine: My, my! It appears a new human has entered this realm! Caine fascinatedly wiggles his cane at the jester, before he stretches and points toward the air

Unknown: How do I... take this... headset off?! She struggles to take the headset off, clawing at her face as she does so; scribbles occupy her pupils

Jax: Just keep grabbing at it. That worked for all of us.

The jester yanks at her eyes and mouth in an attempt to remove the headset. After she fails, they fly back into position, making her head wobble

Unknown: W-What's going on? I-I-I put on some weird headset, and now I'm... here. Her eyes widen Who are you people? Why can't I take it off? Where am I? Her legs are bent inwards as she frantically looks around, waving her arms in confusion

Ragatha suddenly interrupts the jester from speaking any further

Ragatha: Let's just try to calm down. She walks over to the shivering jester. Everything's gonna be okay, new stuff. We've all been through this. You just need to get your head to— Her pupils minimize as she's interrupted by the jester

Unknown: WHAT THE Censorbarboing IS GOING ON?! ...Wha— The jester peers at her mouth, questioning what has just transpired. The swear she said is censored by a cartoonish sound effect, as a black bar temporarily covers her mouth.

Caine explains that swearing is prohibited in The Amazing Digital Circus

Caine: Now, now, now, my dear! We can't have any of that foul language around here. The Amazing Digital Circus is a place to be enjoyed by all ages. You, my friend, stumbled into an incredible world of wonders, where anything can happen! His eyes look around the place, before he elaborates E-Except for swearing.

The jester immediately tries every swear word she can think of to check if Caine's bluffing

Unknown: Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing, Censorbarboing. BCensorbarboingh.

Oh, my God. U-Uh, well, h-how do I... you know, leave? She looks up at Caine, looking for an answer

Caine: Uh—

Caine pauses in the middle of explaining

Ragatha: W-Well, don't freak out about it or anything, but, uh, we don't exactly...

Jax interrupts Ragatha, moving in front of the jester

Jax: You can't.

Unknown: What? Her pupils minimize as she looks at Jax in worried confusion.

Zooble: Shut up, Jax. But, yeah, he's right. Welcome to your new home. And your new body. Their claw points at the jesters' feet

The jester glances down at it

Unknown: "N-N-New home"? What do you mean? Her eyes dart around

Ragatha: Guys, don't be mean.

Jax: We've been stuck here for years. Old Kinger over there's supposedly been here the longest.

Kinger peeks out of his pillow fort that he had made

Kinger: Huh? Did someone say something about an insect collection?

Kinger's eyes widen in excitement

Jax: That's why he's craaazy! He chuckles while doing a cuckoo finger twirl Eh...

The screen darkens as the jester starts panting, raising her arms toward her face, as she does so. The pupils of her eyes turn into

scribbles, but she calms down. After she calms down, the screen returns to normal

Unknown: Ohhhh, okay! Now I get it! Laughs This is a dream, and I should just play along until I wake up, right?

The camera flips to the characters saying nothing while standing still

Jax: Whatever you say, kid.

The camera cuts to Gangle, crying because her comedy mask was broken earlier

Gangle: They broke my comedy mask...

Gangle continues sobbing

Jax: So, Caine... We having a new adventure today for the newbie, or what?

Whilst saying this, Jax walks over one of the halves of Gangle's broken mask, breaking it more. Gangle sobs even more in response.

Caine: I'd like to give our brand-new member a tour of the circus grounds first.

Unknown: Uh—

Caine: Off we go!

Caine and the jester warp to the outside of The Tent

Caine: Here we have... The Tent! This is where your living quarters are, as well as all sorts of other activities! These activities may include —

Caine's eyes glitch out, and take on the texture of a Windows XP/ Vista/7 BSoD screen. A dial up sound starts playing.

The glitching stops

Caine: —Ball pits, mini-golf, and more!

The two warp to the rest of the island. The camera moves so that all the island- where everything mostly takes place- is visible

Caine: And here, we have... The Grounds! Drown yourself in the Digital Lake, or engage in ridery at the Digital Carnival! Night, day, it's all okay! The choice is yours! A cosmic buffet!

Unknown: Uh, is... that all there is?

Caine: Of course not!

The two warp further, going to a endless plane of white squares with varying sizes

Caine: This is The Void! As that is said, the camera moves further back, making Caine's voice softer. It goes back to normal shortly after We don't venture out into the void. In a soft spooky voice Not even I know what's out there.

Intense silence overcomes.

Unknown: That's, uh—

Before the jester could say anything, the two go back to the grounds

Caine: We stay right here, where I can keep my... dramatic voice ...hundreds of all-seeing eyes on you.

Another short-span intense silence, as eyeballs- presumably the ones Caine mentioned- appear behind the two

Moon: Hello, Caine. I love you.

Caine: shocked Eaugh! Let's get outta here before the Moon gets frisky!

The camera cuts off to an red exit door seen in the grounds and the jester stares at it

Unknown: Wait, what's that—

Caine warps himself and the jester back inside of The Tent. The jester vomits black liquid on the floor

Caine: Woah, clean up on aisle you!

Bubble appears from Caine's hat

Bubble: I'm on it, boss!

Bubble proceeds to continuously lick the vomit while Caine seems disturbed

Caine: ...Why are you like this?

The jester returns to her consciousness

Unknown: Wait, wait! W-Was that an exit door I saw out there? Is that a way to leave?

Jax: What exit?

Jax takes off Zooble's arm and uses it as a back-scratcher

Jax: If there was a way to leave, I'm pretty sure we'd have all left by now.

Zooble controls the arm and chokes Jax while talking. Jax then falls to the floor

Zooble: Yeah, what are you talking about?

The camera cuts off to Caine still watching Bubble lick the vomit

Caine: U-Uh, I— clears throat I assure you, there is no "magical exit door." You're probably just experiencing... DIGITAL HALLUCINATIONS! From your mind's transition to the digital plane.

Unknown: But, I-I swear, I saw—

Caine: fast DIGITAL HALLUCINATIONS!

Caine looks like he's stressing out. The jester looks suspiciously at Caine while he doesn't look at her. He then flies up.

Caine: How about we talk about something else? Like your name!

Unknown: My name? My name is, uh... U-U-Uh?! Oh, God! Why can't I remember my name?!

Caine: Nobody can remember their name once they enter the Digital Circus! One of the few things I don't have control over are your minds. So, all I can help you with is coming up with a new one.

The jesters' eyes go abstract, again

Unknown: Ugh... What's my name...?

Caine: pats the jester's head Don't you worry your little head. Your new name can be anything! Hereby acknowledging that your chosen name and or names may not breach the Digital Circus user license agreement stating that your name may not include objectionable content. Objectionable content includes but is not limited to sexually explicit material, obscene, defamatory, libelous, slanderous, violent, and/or unlawful content or profanity. He says it very quickly, as if it were a commercial warning normal What are you thinkin'?

Unknown: Huh? I don't care. Just pick anything.

Caine: Let's see!

A slot machine of letters falls down and rolls

Caine: What do you think of... "XDDCC"? Phonetic stammering

Unknown: I don't—

Caine: You're right, terrible. Let's try that again!

The slot machine of letters rolls again

Caine: What do you think of "POMNI"?

Unknown: Huh? Uh, s-sure. I think I just-

Caine: Gadzooks, you're right, Jax! We should have a brand new adventure for our new member, Pomni!

Jax: distant I said that like five minutes ago.

Caine points to Pomni

Caine: You! Do you like adventure? Activity? keeps talking faster Wonder? Danger? Horror? Pain? Suffering? Agony? Death? Disease? Death? Angel food cake?

Bubble appears and eats the angel food cake Caine had pulled out as he said that line. Caine looks at his hands and then at Bubble with slight anger and confusion

Caine: YOU PARASITE! pops Bubble

Pomni: Uh, I don't really...

Caine: Since you're new around here, we're gonna make it a simple, in-house adventure to warm you up to how things work around here.

Zooble: Wha— No, God! I don't want an in-house adventure.

Caine: Don't worry, Zooble. I'll make it something unobtrusive that you can still choose to not get involved with!

Caine: Today's adventure is... Gather the Gloinks!

Caine laughs maniacally. He is cut off as he starts saying the next lines

Caine: That's right! The entire circus tent will be infested with Gloinks, and you gotta catch 'em all!

Bubble: But what are they?

Caine: I'm glad you asked, Bubble. They're small—

Bubble: And what do they do?

Caine: ...They—

Bubble: And how do they—

Caine pops Bubble again, so he doesn't interrupt him anymore

Caine: Gloinks are small mischievous critters that steal anything and everything they run into! Why do these humanoid hash-browns do this? How do you stop them? That's for you to find out. Now, good luck, and have fun, my little superstars!

Caine disappears. After this, Pomni stares in front of bed while the screen slowly zooms in on her. Her left eye twitches. She then turns to the others, along with the screen.

Pomni: What did any of that mean?

Ragatha: Oh, that's just one of Caine's little adventures. They're just something fun to do to, you know... prevent us from going insane. nervous chuckle

Zooble: sighs Speak for yourself. If anyone needs me, then Censorbarboing off. Zooble pulls the middle finger, which is also censored

Gloinks appear and steal Zooble's body parts

Zooble: Oh, God! Oh, JEEZ! NO!-

The Gloinks take Zooble off-screen, making their voice softer

Zooble: OH, GOD! SOMEBODY HELP!

Gangle gasps in fear and Jax begins to become sarcastic, showing no emotion for Zooble

Jax: Oh no, they killed Zooble. Anyway, you guys wanna go get something to eat?

Ragatha: Oh wait— we should go check on Kaufmo! 'm pretty sure

he'd like to meet Pomni.

The Gloinks steal Kinger's "Impenetrable Fortress", which was his aforementioned pillow fort

Kinger: MY IMPENETRABLE FORTRESS!

Ragatha: from far away You wanna come with us to check on Kaufmo?

Kinger: No, not really. I think Kaufmo's gone insane. Last time I spoke with him, he was rambling endlessly about some exit. Kind of like you, Pomni. You might be going insane, too.

Pomni: But, wait— wouldn't that more likely mean the exit does exist?

Jax: Could also mean you just have a jump-start on losing your mind.

Gangle speaks from far away, making her voice softer

Gangle: Wait, what about Zooble?

Pomni: Well, I think I'd like to ask him about it— U-uh, if this was real. Which it isn't, because it's a dream.

Jax: Heh, she still thinks this is a dream.

Jax stares in front of him, possibly at the camera. The camera zooms out, showing him looking in Ragatha's position

Ragatha: Realizes Jax is looking her position U-Uh, why are you looking at me like that?

Jax: I'm fine with doing whatever, as long as I get to see funny things happen to people.

A gloink smacks Jax

Jax: Ow! Okay, I've already had enough of these things... sighs You, me, and Pomni will go check on Kaufmo, which leaves Crybaby

Gangle and Hoo-ha Kinger together to go handle the Zooble situation.

Ragatha: laughs nervously Do you think pairing them up together is a good idea?

Jax: Of course I do. They're the two most mentally stable and capable characters to be paired together.

As Jax is saying this, Kinger starts to shake violently, as Gangle a bit scared of this

Jax: Come on, ladies— let's go harass the clown.

Pomni and Ragatha follow Jax

Gangle: My comedy mask is broken again...

Kinger reacts late

Kinger: Gah! Oh! Gangle, you startled me.

Ragatha: So, this is where we all live— or, well, where we all sleep at night. Even though we don't really need to sleep, it's sometimes nice to kind of take a break from everything and have a bit of routine, you know? I'm sure there'll be one for... Oh, look— you already got one!

Pomni stares at the door with the same facial expression.

Pomni: I still don't understand about the adventures. Why even go on them at all? W-W-Why not try to find a way to leave?

Ragatha: Well, we usually do— when we first arrive. But, after a while, you start to realize that you really can't leave, and constantly chasing an unattainable goal will start driving you a bit crazy. Starts to go insane herself, as she's talking about what happens when you go insane in the circus And eventually, you get to asking what the point of anything is, and you completely lose sight of who you are and why you're even alive. And when you reach your breaking point, something really terrible can happen. Looks around then pulls herself together Ah, but that's not something we need to deal with today!

Above anything else, the adventures give us something to do that keeps our minds healthy and stimulated.

Ragatha rings Kaufmo's doorbell

Jax: Thank goodness this is all a dream, right, Pomni?

Pomni has abstracted eyes, again. Jax tries to wake up Pomni

Pomni: gasp Why are we here again? What are we doing?

Ragatha: We're getting one of our friends.

Ragatha rings the doorbell, but there's no response

Ragatha: Huh... Maybe he's not in his room? I hope he's alright.

Jax: Don't worry, dollface. I've got a key to his room. Reveals key, spins it on his index finger, catches it, causing Pomni to flinch and walks towards Kaufmo's room

Ragatha: Wha— Wait, wh— why? You— You— You shouldn't have keys to anyone's room!

Jax: Nah, I've got keys everywhere, and you've all been fine. By the way, I may have left something in your room today, so let me know if you find it. Uh, you're not afraid of centipedes, are you?

Ragatha: JAX! That's literally my only fear! WHY WOULD YOU DO THIS?!

Jax: Whaaat? It could be a completely unrelated question. You'll never know until it's too late! Opens the door to Kaufmo's room

To their surprise, they see writing everywhere, messed up pictures and an abstracted, black glitching creature with realistic creepy eyes. It's Kaufmo.

Jax: Oh, I've been looking for this! Thanks for keeping an eye on it, Kaufy. I'm gonna head out. See ya. Jax picks up a sort-of-bowling ball item and dashes away, leaving a dust cloud in the shape of him

Ragatha: Oh! Kaufmo's... been abstracted! That— That's okay!

Pomni: What... is that?!

Ragatha: Uh, it.. might be that terrible thing I was talking about earlier when you reach your breaking point?!

Pomni: H-huh?!

Ragatha: O-Okay, wait! M-Maybe there's still time to fix him if we get Caine!

The abstracted Kaufmo approaches Ragatha and gets out of his room. While Ragatha is stuck, Pomni tries to escape

Ragatha: I-I-It's okay-y. What you need to do right now is to find Caine. He'll be able to fix me up and take care of Kaufmo-o-o-o.

Pomni: O-O-Okay, but where can I find him?

Ragatha: Uh, I don't really know. Just look around and call for him, I suppose.

Pomni: Uh, okay, I'll get him. You just stay right there. Not that you can really move or anything. Uh, just hang in there. I'll be right back, I promise. starts to run off but soon pauses when Ragatha starts to say something and looks over

Ragatha: glitching horribly and speaking in a cracked voice Cool. Also, Pomni? I'm sorry your first day here... had to be so... terrible?

Pomni: awkwardly still doesn't believe this is real Uhhh, yeah, well, don't worry about it. I'm just gonna go get Caine now. Gives Ragatha a reassuring smile and runs off to find Caine

Pomni: In front of the sleeping quarters Hello? Caine? We have a bit of an issue here! Calls out, but gets no response. She realizes the whole place is quiet and checks everywhere

Pomni starts exploring the empty circus for Caine to fix Ragatha. She

comes across several doors. The first was a boxing glove that hit Pomni in the face when she opened the door. Another had an ocean of fishes swimming and somehow the water is moving out of the door, leaving Pomni puzzled. Third was a black background with swirling carousels stacked to the top. Kids laughing were heard. Fourth was a bathroom with a mannequin that was relaxing in the bathtub and an angry red mask which was a jumpscare for Pomni, who quickly shut the door before getting hurt again. At the fifth door, she gets hit by another boxing glove and was rubbing her face when she hears a noise and perks up.

Pomni: From behind a wall Caaaiiine...? She suddenly looks up in shock to see Abstracted Kaufmo roaming around the circus. He notices Pomni with his distorted eyes. Pomni makes a weird freaked out face, and the glitched player charges at her, making Pomni freak out and run

Gloink Queen: Finally sees the characters, much to her disapproval What form of non-Gloinkinian mass dares presume presence in the nest of the Gloink Queen? Jax is unbothered and checks his nails in a sassy way

Jax: Oh, is that who you are? You know, you could have asked for my consent before forcing me to see something so completely and utterly disgusting.

Gloink Queen: Offended and angry at Jax for his rude words to her, a queen How despicable, a rabbitoid that runs its mouth in the presence of my royal figure!

Kinger and Gangle are still kneeling to the Queen

Kinger: Well, as a royal myself, I would like to kindly ask if- ...Oh, look there's Zooble! Hi, Zooble! waves at them as their head is getting carried away by a Gloink

Zooble: In an unpleasant, serious tone UGH, HELP ME, YOU IDIOTS!

Jax: Gets a little upset when Zooble raises their tone at him Kinda rude, Zooble. Now I don't wanna help you! He crosses his arms in disapproval

Kinger and Gangle realize that one of them have to retrieve back Zooble's head. So both of them play Rock, Paper, Scissors to get the head back. Gangle loses because her hands are ribbons, and thus, they can't bend or turn into fists/fingers

Pomni looks at Caine, irritated.

Caine snaps his fingers and summons the Abstracted Kaufmo over to him, while the latter growls furiously

Caine: And into the cellar you go!

Caine opens a hole in the floor and sends Kaufmo down into The Cellar, which contains a body of water and several other abstracted beings, the hole closes shortly after.

Zooble's body, now reassembled, comes up to Kinger and collects their head, attaching it back onto their body

Zooble: Man, I can't believe Kaufmo just gave up like that. Sad I mean, no offense Kinger, but I always thought you would be next.

Kinger: Thank you. Happy

Jax: Guess it just goes to show you can't rely on Kinger for anything.

The glitched Ragatha crawls up to Caine

Ragatha: I am in so much pain...! Voice glitching and stuttering

Caine: Oop!

Caine snaps his fingers, which reverses the glitching on Ragatha, and Pomni's hand. As Pomni looks at her hand, Ragatha stands up and stands next to Pomni, not looking at her, not happy. Pomni looks at the floor the opposite way. Feeling sorry for breaking her promise,

because of her will to find the exit.

Caine: I do have to apologize for lying about the exit. I knew how much all of you have been wanting there to be one, but, you know, I was having so much trouble figuring out what to put on the other side and ended… up… never… quite…finishing… it. And you know how I never like letting people see my unfinished work-

Pomni stands there, worried

Caine: Especially if it leads you out into The Void. Anyway, it looks like you defeated the Gloink Queen, so I guess the adventure's over. Your reward is a delicious digital feast cooked by our head Bubble Chef.

Bubble shows up, donning a chef hat, spatula and knife, next to a long table with food on it

Bubble: Made with all the love I'm legally allowed to give! Happy at first but trails off

Jax: You know, I am pretty hungry.

Gangle: You didn't even do anything.

Jax: Annoyed So what? I can still be hungry.

Kinger: Well not really, 'cause we don't need to eat, drink or sleep in this digital world. So the digital food here only gives off the virtual sensation of eating without any of the nutritional benefits.

Jax: Sheesh, lay off it. Since when are you an expert on the Digital World?

Kinger: Expert on the what?

As Kinger was talking, Pomni stood there in a trance, which eventually transitions to everyone at the dinner table. She looks down at her food, which looks similar to plastic play food, in a horrified expression. Everyone else at the table is talking peacefully. Pomni

stares at the camera and cracks a big, insane, and rather creepy-looking toothy smile trying to keep her sanity in check, fearing for the worst.

The camera zooms away from the table, to the top of The Tent, then to The Grounds, then to The Void, then out into an office cubicle with a computer and a VR Headset. The same one Pomni saw earlier.

Pomni's Nightmare
Several voices echo as colorful shapes and effects go throughout the screen.
Caine: Welcome to the Amazing Digital Circus!
Jax: Pomni.
Caine: Pomni.
Ragatha: Pomni.
Jax: Pomni.
Ragatha: Pomni...
Caine: Pomni!
Ragatha: Pomni!
Jax: Pomni.
Caine: Pomni!
Ragatha: Pomni!
Pomni opens her eyes in a haze, being inside the Circus' tent
Pomni: Hello?
Her movement while calling out is distorted, her heartbeat rapidly increases as she walks in fear, looking wide-eyed in front of her, then to her arm, which has now abstracted.
Pomni: *Screams* No! No! No! *Stammers* Caine! Somebody, help me! Please!
Pomni runs around panicking as the circus floor tilts vertically until she falls into a deep hole, seeing Caine, Ragatha and Jax looking down and taunting her as dark silhouettes.
Pomni: *Shrieks* No! No!
Caine: *Laughs* Looks like our new friend's already abstracted.
Ragatha: *Chuckles* Well, I guess we're not all cut out for it.
Jax: I don't even remember her name, honestly.
Abstraction takes over Pomni's body as she falls, horrified.

Pomni Wakes Up

The sound of trumpets with abstracted eyes looking at her wakes her up, showing that sequence to just be a dream. At this same time, the doorbell rings.

Pomni falls out of her bed and collision glitches on a playing block, hitting her head on the ceiling and faceplanting on the floor.

Pomni: *groans* Huh? *groans*

Pomni, being half-awake, looks at the playing block that collision glitched her and then at the door, then faceplants herself on the floor again.

Ragatha: Hey, Pomni. How'd you sleep?

Ragatha: Are you still sleeping? *Awkwardly* I'll let you get back to it, if you are.

Ragatha starts walking away from the door, though Pomni partially opens it. Pomni is standing there with a very confused face

Ragatha: There she is. Hope you're doin' all right. I know yesterday was a bit of a doozy.

Pomni: *Confused* A doozy… *Opens the door slightly more*

Ragatha: Oh, and don't worry about the whole "abandoning me for the exit" thing. *Worringly* It's perfectly understandable what you were going through at the time, and there's no hard feelings. *Laughs* Yer all good.

Ragatha makes finger guns.

Pomni: *Confused* Huh?

Ragatha looks away for a second, still awkward.

Ragatha: Uh, well, let's forget about all that. *Shrugging* Caine's got a new adventure today, and judging by what he's been teasing, it seems like it's gonna be a fun one.

Ragatha walks away from the door slightly as Pomni comes out and shuts it behind her.

Candy Adventure!

The scene cuts to Caine and Bubble being at the circus tent's stage.

Caine: Today's adventure is... Candy Carrier Chaos!

Those three words appear above Caine in bright pink letters.

Caine: That's right! The Candy Canyon Kingdom's been robbed of their

most valuable resource; maple syrup! It's up to you to bring the rotten bandits who stole it to sweet, buttery justice!

Bubble comes next to Caine and pulls maple syrup out on his tongue.

Bubble: An entire kingdom of candy? Sounds sticky.

Caine: Very sticky, indeed.

Bubble: Sounds-

Bubble uses a very offensive word which is bleeped out.

Caine looks startled, looking between the camera and Bubble.

Caine: Bubble, you can't say that.

Zooble: *Disinterested* Mmmmmmmmmm, nope. *Walking away, from Caine*

Caine: *Starts panicking* Zooble, wait! I-I'm testing out a new AI in this one! It should be 57 times more immersive!

Jax: Ooh, a new AI. You don't want to mess with the new AI, Zoobie?

Zooble: Uh, yeah, no. *Walks away*

Jax shrugs at the camera nonchalantly before looking back at Zooble walking away.

Ragatha: Whoa, sounds fun. What do you think, Pomni? *Encouraging*

Pomni: So, our entire existence here... is just LARPing? *Disgusted*

Ragatha: W-Well, uh-

An impatient Caine zips in front of Ragatha, to ensure their focused on the adventure at hand.

Caine: Why are you all just standing there?! The- The Canyon- C-Canyon Candy Kingdom needs you now! *Stammering, wide eyed*

Caine opens an oval-shaped mythical portal with blue-neon outlines and pushes all the circus members aside from Zooble *in, with the portal instantly closing behind them and dusting off his hands, going wide eyed again, with his magic cane floating next to him. He then takes a smoking pipe out and blows bubbles from it. Bubble himself comes up to him.*

Caine: Hmm? *Offering the pipe to Bubble*

Bubble: Nah, thanks. I'm trying to quit. *He gently rejects Caine's offer of the pipe*

The Candy Canyon Kingdom

Majestic music plays as the Candy Canyon Kingdom, adorned with its colorful letters, is shown.

The members are being taken by a carriage by a Gummy Elephant with reddish pink, yellow spots, small dot eyes, gummy worm shaped legs and trunk to the castle, where the drawbridge lowers for them and several colorful mannequins cheer for their arrival, as Ragatha waves to them.

Ragatha: Wow, Kinger, check out this castle. It's amazing! *Amazed*

Kinger: *Looking at the candy-decorated butterfly, with pure innocence in his eyes* They've even got little candy bugs here. It's so beautiful.

Gangle: Yeah, this place is great! *Tunes into agree, with Kinger, and Ragatha*

A mannequin unknowingly runs near Gangle and points at the castle, knocking her over and breaking her comedy mask in half.

Mannequin: LOOK!!! It's the princess!!

Gangle: *Whimpers, on the ground*

Trumpet play as their loyal princess comes out of her candy-themed castle.

Princess Loolilalu: Ah, you must be the brave knights sent to us by God... To help us with our recent catastrophe.

Ragatha: That's us, ma'am.

Ragatha: Your kingdom's awesome, by the way. *Looking around the princess's kingdom* Love the vibe.

Princess Loolilalu: *Giggles* I like you already.

Ragatha: Look, Pomni. We're already friends with the princess. *Trying to hype Pomni up, but fails since Pomni feels very sad*

Pomni: I'm not a child. You don't have to hype me up…

The Princess walks down her stairs, to be closer to the group.

Princess Loolilalu: I assume you've been informed of your mission. The bandits that robbed us used a modded syrup tanker, so we figured the best way to go head-to-head with them is to give you a war rig of your own.

She motions towards a truck being driven which runs over a yellow mannequin, who yells in pain.

Jax: Ooh, violence. *Excitedly*

Pomni: What time period is this supposed to be, again? *Confused and tired*

Princess Loolilalu: Here's the key back into the kingdom for when you've secured the goods. I trust you not to let it fall into the wrong

hands?
She gives Ragatha the key, precisely.
Ragatha: You can count on me, Your Highness. *Bows down to the princess*
Princess Loolilalu: Oh, please. Call me Loo. *She reassures Ragatha, can call her by "Loo" instead*
Ragatha: *Chuckles playfully* Will do, Loo. *Does finger guns*
Jax: I call shotgun!
Jax runs to the drivers' seat and instantly uses the horn, which makes a goofy, distorted warble.
Jax: Oh, God, is that the horn? *Groans* That sucks! *Annoyed* Gangle, you drive! *Grabbing Gangle and putting her in the drivers' seat, as he makes Gangle drive because he doesn't like the sound of the horn.*
Everyone else enters the back of the truck.
Princess Loolilalu: Farewell, good knights. *Waving at them* I have every faith in you!
The truck starts and drives out the kingdom while honking the distorted horn, with the mannequins cheering them on.

Carrier Chaos
The scene cuts to 3 gummy alligator bandits set up at a campfire, with Max or Chad, in the background.
Chad: D'you think your mum's gonna pull through if we get all this back to the village?
Max: I'm sure she will. This much syrup would save hundreds of people.
Gummigoo: We won't know for sure until we get back to the village. She's a fighter, though. She taught me everything I know. *Looks back in binoculars* Oy! Don't get too comfy, lads. Looks like they've sent someone after us.
The scene cuts to the truck Gangle is driving.
Jax: All right, Gangle, when we catch up to 'em, I'll jump over, crawl inside, *Pulls out a shotgun made from a Wafer* and shoot 'em repeatedly until they're unrecognizable.
Gangle: *Scared* I feel like that violates some kind of convention.
Jax: *Annoyed, pointing the shotgun at Gangle* You're violating my ears

with your clap-back. Get driving, driver!

The camera cuts to Ragatha and Pomni in the back.

Ragatha: So, Pomni, I'm sure there's some way you could help out here. Maybe when we catch up to them, we could-

Jax interrupts Ragatha.

Jax: We could be assertive. Like this!

Grabs Pomni by the throat and throws her out of the truck

Pomni: Hey! *Screams*

Ragatha: *Annoyed* Jax!

The two trucks move apart, stretching Pomni's arms.

Jax: Ah, that's perfect! Just hold that pose. I gotta get something.

Pomni: Jax, you hole!

Jax: *Feigning, trouble finding the bazooka in the back* You know, I swear there was some kind of bazooka back here, but *Scoffs* I'm having such trouble finding it.

Kinger appears next to Jax, holding a life buoy.

Kinger: Pomni, take this! *Throws the buoy, which hits Pomni's head.*

Pomni: Egh...

Jax finds the bazooka with a boot in it and points it at Pomni.

Jax: Here it is. All right, Pomni, you just stay like that, and I'll cross over you.

Pomni: Are you KIDDING ME?! *Finger slips* Ow!

Pomni fingers slips and let's go of the truck and lands on top of the crook's truck.

Jax: Nice going, Pomni -- now I have no bridge!

Max: Ah-hah! Gotcha! *Trying to grab Pomni* Me arms aren't long enough to-- Whoa!

Max then gets hit by the buoy, proceeds to fall off the truck, but is able to grab the rope from the buoy. He then proceeds to ski on the terrain. He then strikes a taunt to dodge a rock.

The camera cuts to Gummigoo and Chad driving the truck.

Gummigoo: This lot's trouble. Let's see how their rig does on those rocks 'round there.

Chad: Me arms aren't short enough to shift the gear!

Gummigoo shifts the gear himself to "Rocky Road", causing the truck to

extend it's wheels as it heads to the rockier terrain. Max notices the rockiness of the road and proceeds to strike multiple taunts in order to dodge all of the rocks. It then cuts back to Jax who takes notice of this.

Jax: Ooh, now we're cookin'! Hey! Ribbons! Up and at 'em!

Gangle: I don't think we-

Jax: *Annoyed* Aren't you supposed to be submissive and agreeable? Move it!

The truck shakes around causing everyone except Jax's head to go flying around.

The camera cuts to the bandit truck.

Gummigoo: *Pokes head out window, Chad then rests his on Gummigoo's back* Oh, these fellas just don't know when to quit, do they? *Notices Max taunt-dodging in the back.* Hey! Quit muckin' about and get back up here!

Max: *stops taunting* Oh, yeah. Right. *Climbs the rope*

The camera cuts to Ragatha and Kinger who both have knives in their heads.

Ragatha: *Groans* Everyone all right?

Kinger: Can you repeat the question? I couldn't hear you over the knives.

Jax: Hey, Gangle. You should ram into 'em.

Gangle: *Confused* What?

Ragatha: You should NOT ram them! Pomni's still on board-- *Gets pushed by Jax*

Jax: Do it. It'll be epic.

Ragatha: *In the back of the truck.* Why are there so many knives back here?!

Jax: Do it, or I'll tell Ragatha about the figurine thing.

Gangle: *Gasps and then laughs nervously*

The camera cuts to Pomni still holding onto the truck as it gets rammed and Pomni almost falls off, but she manages to hold on.

Pomni: *Scared and angry* ARE YOU GUYS TRYING TO ING KILL ME!?

The camera cuts to the inside of the truck Pomni is on.

Gummigoo: These guys are whack jobs! Let's give them some of this.

Gummigoo pulls a lever which causes spikes to appear on the truck.

Jax: *Disappointed* Aww, no more ramming? Guess I have to tell Ragatha about the thing now.
Gangle: What?!
Max: Oh. You're still up here.
Pomni: Guuuuuuys?
Kinger appears next to jax again, holding an anchor with a very long rope
Kinger: Pomni, take this!
Kinger throws a ship anchor over the truck, and the rope flies for a very long time
Jax: Uh, hey, Kinger, is that rope attached to anything?
Kinger: Uhhhh. I don't know. Let me check. *Goes back in*
The anchor stops and forces the two trucks side by side as the good guy's truck gets thrown off the cliff as Jax is on top of the truck that is falling, taping his foot annoyed waiting for them to hit the fudge river.
Gangle: *Pokes her head out* W-W-What? Wha?
Jax: *Annoyed* I blame you for this.
The truck hits the fudge.
The camera cuts to Pomni on the other truck and it hits a slope, causing it to noclip under of the map.
Pomni: *Screams*
Gummigoo: *Grunts*

The Test Map
The scene fades to Gummigoo and Pomni falling out of bounds.
Gummigoo: *Screaming* Oog! Ack! *Grunts Wailing* OHHHH, NO!!!
Gummigoo hits the floor.
Gummigoo: *Echoing* Lads? *Walking down the hallways* Hello? Anyone?
Gummigoo finds a room full of models of the NPCs and sees himself.
Gummigoo: Huh? *Walks up to it* Uh... *Gasps*
It then shifts between a panicked Gummigoo looking at his lifeless double
The camera cuts to Pomni falling.
Pomni: Guh! *Wails Grunts* Huh?
Gummigoo: Where are we? W-What's all this?
Pomni: *Confused* I-I don't know. W-We're somewhere under the map, I think.

Gummigoo: "Map"? *Confused* Why aren't you or any of your crew up here?
Pomni: I-I'm not sure. Be- Because we're not, uh, NPCs?
Gummigoo: *Confused* "NPCs"? What are you on about? What are you people? *Looks at himself* What am I? Where's Mum?
Pomni: *Shocked* Y-You have a mom?
Gummigoo: Shouldn't she be here with everyone else? *Shakily* I can't even remember her face. Did she ever have a face? Was anything ever real?
Pomni: Okay, w-w-wait. *Trying to calm him down* Don't- Don't think about that. I-I-I think there... must be a way to launch ourselves back up. Right?
Gummigoo: *Hyperventilating* I want you to tell me exactly what I am.

The Fudge!
The scene cuts to where the truck fell into the chocolate river.
Ragatha: *Groans* Is everybody okay?
Gangle: No... *Puts head down*
Ragatha: Oh, man. Poor Pomni. I hope she's all right.
Jax: "Poor Pomni"? How about "poor us"?!? We're one tanker away from being Augustus Glooped!
The Fudge appears out of the fudge.
The Fudge: *Groaning* Oh, what's that? Do my eyes deceive me? A delicious gift from within the kingdom gates? Don't mind if I do. *Picks up truck*
Ragatha: *Scared* Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa, buddy! We're not food! We're not candy! We're none of that! You don't want to eat us!
The Fudge: Wh- You're not candy? How am I expected to eat something that's not made of candy? I'm sorry. *Sad and puts them down*
Kinger: Pomni always seems to miss the big, gloopy monsters.
Jax: Who are you, anyway?
The Fudge: I am the Fudge. I used to live within the kingdom walls, but I was banished by that rotten princess after I ate too many of the delicious townfolk. Oh, they were so delicious. Sometimes I can hear them... calling to me. *Townsfolk screaming*
Ragatha: Oh, God. That just sounds like murder.

The Fudge: Is it really murder if it's delicious? Answer me that.
Jax: You make a great point.
Ragatha: *Worried* Uh, no, bad point!
Jax: Why don't you leave this to me before I start thinking your hair looks like licorice?
Ragatha: Jax! *Grabs and pulls her hair in anger*
Kinger: Oh, wow, it kind of does.
Ragatha: Stop!
Jax: Well, Mr. Fudge, you seem like an upstanding guy with real noble goals.
The Fudge: Oh, I'm not. If you knew what I did in my free time- Oh, you'd be sickened!
Jax: *Clears throat* As I was saying. I happen to know a way into the kingdom walls *pulls out the key that Ragatha had, while Ragatha notices the key is not in her pocket* if you'd be willing to help us out in return.
Ragatha: Hey, when did you-
Jax: Shut up, Licorice-Hair.
Ragatha glares at Jax
Kinger: Here, hide it with this. *Puts a bucket over Ragatha's head*
The Fudge: Oh, you must be some kind of master of unlocking things, come to free me from my outdoor prison.
Jax: That's me. All we need you to do is help us bring some dirty bandits to justice.
Said bandit's truck falls into the fudge.
Max: I saw the Reaper wink at me...
Ragatha: Wait, w-w-what just happened? *Takes bucket off her head*

Somebody... Real?
The scene cuts to Gummigoo and Pomni out of bounds as Pomni tries to pry the truck with a lollipop.
Pomni: Uhh... y-you wanna try helping out at all? *Laughs nervously* Or are you still... *Walks up to Gummigoo* Hey. You okay?
Gummigoo: *Sad* No.
Pomni: You wanna talk about it?
Gummigoo: What is there to talk about?
Pomni: I don't just want to leave you here.

Gummigoo: Why not? I don't matter in the slightest. I'm nothing. *Takes hat off* My life, my memories... my friends... It's all fake.

Pomni tries to get out a few words, but can't, and she sits next to Gummigoo.

Pomni: This may seem weird, but... I think I know the feeling. Well, m-maybe not the e-exact feeling, but... feeling like you're nothing is... kind of normal. I mean, people even feel like that in the world I came from. But... Y-you still care about your buddies up there, don't you? I'm sure they still care about you.

Gummigoo: What does it matter? What do we have when you people leave? *Sad* We're just obstacles... created to be defeated and forgotten.

Pomni: Well... You don't have to be. The- The circus- th- the place I'm from? Well, I- I'm originally from somewhere else. But... if it has to be my home... maybe it can be yours, too. The people there are... interesting... at the very least. Maybe you... *Sighs* could be somebody real there.

Gummigoo: Why are you trying to cheer me up? How does this benefit you at all?

Pomni: I guess I just don't want you to feel like you're nothing. I don't want anybody to feel like that.

Gummigoo: But I'm not even a real person. Would I even belong?

Pomni: I'm sure you wouldn't belong any less than me. *Chuckles* And... I could use a friend.

Gummigoo: "A friend." You're a strange little character. *Stands up* Suppose I could give it a try. All I ask is that we don't tell the lads about this. They're a couple of bright-eyed yobbos, and I don't want to drag 'em down with me.

Pomni: *Chuckles* Yeah, that makes sense. What's your name, by the way?

Gummigoo: Gummigoo.

Pomni: Wow, that's... just about as dumb as my name.

Gummigoo: What'd you have in mind in terms of getting us out of here?

Pomni: *Stammers* I don't know. M-M-Maybe some kind of glitch with

the truck's collisions? I'm not really sure how we could... *Pomni then notices three blocks and gets an idea.*
The camera cuts to Pomni and Gummigoo inside the truck with the three blocks underneath it.
Pomni: All right, I'm just throwing stuff at the wall here. If this doesn't work, we could try something else.
Gummigoo: You're the expert here.
Pomni: *Laughs nervously* I'm really not. But let's see how it goes. *Turns on engine*
The blocks Pomni positioned infront of the truck start collision glitching
Pomni: I just realized, this might be a little viole-
The truck goes flying past the floating teapots. During the ride, Pomni and Gummigoo look at each other happily.

The Big Comeback
The scene cuts to the two trucks on The Fudge.
Jax: *Disappointed* Gotta say, this is a lot more anti-climactic than I was hoping it'd be.
Gangle: *Looks over* What were you hoping for?
Jax: You know, like, one big, final battle. Bloodshed. Death. Chaos! Whatever.
The camera cuts to Ragatha talking to Max and Chad who are tied up.
Ragatha: Are you sure they disappeared? It wasn't that they fell off, or something?
Chad: *Stammers* I can't say for sure, but, uh- yes, definitely.
Max: It's not like the boss to vanish with a clown. Very unusual.
Ragatha: Well, that's…concerning.
Kinger: *Muffled, bucket on his head* Well, if worst comes to worst, we could always ask Caine to find her.
Max and Chad try to escape but keep falling over.
Ragatha: I'm more worried she's having another horrible experience. She still seems really upset about what happened yesterday. I don't think she really likes me that much.
Kinger: It's a lot for anybody to go through. Don't take it too personally. I remember how long it took for you to adjust.
Ragatha: O-Oh. Yeah. I'm surprised you remember that.

Kinger: *Pushes bucket up* Remember what?

A purple flash is seen in the distant. Gangle tries to look with binoculars, but Jax takes it from her and looks by himself.

Jax: Do you guys have a second truck that flies?

Chad: Yeah. Oh, wait- No, we don't. No, not at all.

The truck strikes The Fudge, causing him to melt into nothing more, than chocolate syrup or liquid.

The Fudge: *Groans* Down I go.

Gummigoo and Pomni exit the truck and Pomni pukes onto the ground, before Gummigoo ironically pukes right after making fun of Pomni for not keeping her puke inside her mouth.

Gummigoo: *Laughs* Couldn't keep it in, could- *Pukes after Pomni*

Pomni: Uh, what's all this stuff?

Ragatha: Pomni! Are you okay? W-What happened? *Runs up to Pomni on the fudge created from the Fudge's melting that caused a splash, with relief and concern for her.*

Max and Chad hop towards Gummigoo

Pomni: Yeah, I'm fine. I, uh- I made a new friend.

Max: Boss! Where have you been? We got fudged.

Gummigoo: *Relieved* You don't wanna know. Good to see you, lads. *Hugs Max, and Chad*

Kinger and Gangle, walk up next to Gummigoo, Max, and Chad.

Gangle: *Confused* Why are there two bad-guy trucks?

Kinger walks up to the trucks and turns the knob, releasing syrup on top of him.

Kinger: This one's full of syrup, too.

Gummigoo: Oh, yeah. Suppose it is. Well, uh, you don't suppose my mates here could, uh, take this one back to the village, could they?

Ragatha: I guess. Since there's two of them, there'd be no real harm.

The camera cuts to Jax sitting in the fudge, disappointed in the background, as Ragatha walks up to him, while Gummigoo unties his lads, from the rope.

Jax: *Disappointed* I'm so unbelievably disappointed right now.

Ragatha: Well, maybe there'll be blood, death, and violence in the next adventure. *Tries to give Jax hope for the next Adventure*

Jax: *Sarcastically* Ha-ha-ha-ha. How wholesome.
Pomni and Gummigoo walk up to Ragatha, as Max and Chad are seen both dancing in the background
Pomni: O-O-Oh, yeah. Uh, this is Gummigoo. He's gonna come back to the circus with us.
Ragatha: Oh! Uh, i-is that allowed? *Unsure*
Pomni: His reality was kind of... completely shattered? I feel like it was the least I could offer him. Opposed to just leaving him behind.
Ragatha: *Chuckles* Hey. That's good of you, Pomni.
Jax: *Annoyed, with the exaggerated use of "DUMB" in his phrasing* UGH! Let's take this DUMB truck to the DUMB kingdom, I guess!

The End of the Candy Adventure
The scene cuts to Candy Canyon Kingdom as Loolilalu congratulates them on their efforts.
Princess Loolilalu: Thanks to you brave knights, our kingdom will once again thrive. I'm sure it was no easy task.
Jax: *Under his breath* You have no idea.
Princess Loolilalu: *Portal opens* Farewell, brave knights. Have fun executing that bandit fella!
Pomni: Yes. That is what we're doing. *Both She and Gummigoo gave the princess a thumbs up to go along with it*
The Fudge is suddenly heard in the distance.
Jax: Oh, hey! Maybe I didn't leave the gate unlocked for nothing after all. *Smugly, as he gazes with glee towards the background*
Ragatha: Uh, what? I-I thought he was dead! You still did that?! *Confused*
The Fudge: *Chuckling*
Princess Loolilalu: *Worried Okay, wait.* Y-You did what, now?
Jax: Well, love to help you again sometime! Bye! *Runs ahead of everyone going through the portal at the same time, while the others look worried*
The Fudge laughs while the citizens of the Candy Kingdom scream in horror.

Welcome Back in The Circus!

The gang is back in the circus tent as Caine welcomes them back.
Caine: Welcome back, my little hard-shelled hamburgers!
Gummigoo: So, this is the circus, huh? I could get used to this. *Puts up his hat, before looking at Caine*
Caine notices Gummigoo.
Caine: Oop! Looks like one of these guys made it through. *Snaps his fingers*
Gummigoo: Wait, wha- *explodes into confetti as a silhouette of his last pose is shown* Blagh! *The pose dissipates quickly*
Pomni: *Shocked and confused* W-W-Wait, wha-?
Caine: I know you guys love your NPCs, but if I start losing track of who's a human and who's an NPC, who knows... *Zooms in on Caine, who has a devastated look on his face, with the circus having a dimmed background, as well as his face having a lime-green aura, before zooming out, back to Pomni* what could happen...
Caine looks in horror in front of him, while Pomni starts setting up a maniacal laugh
Pomni: *begins laughing like a maniac*
Caine: Welp, I'm gonna go drink water! It's been a while since I've done that. *Caine disappears*
Caine leaves and Zooble peaks out of a wall.
Zooble: *Relieved* Sheesh, I thought he'd never leave.
Ragatha: I'm really sorry about that, Pomni. At least you tried. You know, he might be back in a future adventure. I know Caine sometimes likes to reuse NPCs. *Gives Pomni hope, for Gummigoo's potential comeback in the future.*
Zooble: Got everything ready.
Ragatha: Hey... you at least wanna join us for Kaufmo's funeral? We like to have a little funeral service to remember the people who abstract. This one just got pushed around a bit with your arrival and everything. *Offer's Pomni an invitation to Kaufmo's funeral, in remembrance of his presence in the cast*
Jax walks away while having a sad look, before changing his face back to annoyance.
Kinger: It's the least we can do to honor their memory.

Kaufmo's Funeral

The scene cuts to Ragatha, Pomni, Zooble, Gangle and Kinger at Kaufmo's funeral.

Ragatha walks up next to his coffin.

Ragatha: Oh, man. I always think I'm prepared for these things, but then you set up the picture and, well... I'm already breaking.

Gangle shows a picture of her and Kaufmo hanging out before sobbing, Kinger prays, Zooble looks sad and looks away.

Pomni looks on with a look of introspection. The scene flashes back to her nightmare of her decent into the void, and then cuts back to her with the same expression. The scene then flashes back to her hand outstretched as she starts to fall, but just before she does, Gangle, Zooble, Kinger, and Ragatha grabs her hand, rescuing her. Cut back to Pomni, whose expression then changes to a small smile, knowing she has friends looking after her.

Hold Your Breath

In the Circus' tent, the gang watches Pomni hold her breath for seconds as her face turns blue. Pomni releases her breath and gasps for air as she couldn't hold it any longer.

Pomni: I can't hold it any longer.

Jax: Sure you can. We can't die from oxygen deprivation, remember?

Pomni: But it still feels like I'm gonna die.

Kinger: Try not thinking about it.

Jax: Or you could toughen up! *Makes muscles pose with her arm* I wanna see what your funny cartoon body does. *She stretches Pomni's right arm*

Ragatha: Hey, take it easy.

Jax: *releases Pomni's arm, mocking Ragatha with her hand and a falsetto voice* "Ooh, take it easy!" *Normal voice, annoyed* That's you.

Pomni: All right. Here I go.

Pomni holds her breath again. As she does, her face becomes blue once again.

Zooble: All right, we've entered the blue zone.

Pomni's face turns pink.

Jax: Hey, there's something new.

Pomni's face is now red.
Zooble: Okay, we're getting red.
Pomni's face changes to orange.
Ragatha: Ooh, orange.
Pomni's face turns yellow.
Zooble: Yellow.
Pomni's face turns green.
Gangle: Green.
Kinger leans in, noticing Pomni's face turning blue for the second time.
Kinger: Whoa, look! Now she's turning blue! *cross-eyed*
Zooble: She was already blue.
Pomni holds her breath for longer as her face changes into multiple colors then releases it, gasping and panting for air.
Ragatha: Huh. Guess the hue shift just gets faster.
Pomni: *Annoyed* Why am I the one doing this? Why not one of you guys?
Jax: Because something different happens to each person! For instance, Kinger starts glowing... Ragatha's hair noodles stick up... Gangle's mask starts spinning... and Zooble turns straight.
Zooble: My limbs straighten up -- off.
They flip the bird
Pomni: *Points at Jax* What about you?
Zooble: He refuses to show us because he's a coward.
Jax: I wanna keep the mystery alive.
He turns to the camera and points.
Jax: What do YOU, the VIEWERS, think it is?
The camera angle changes to show Jax pointing at what appears to be nothing to the rest of the circus members
Zooble: Will you stop doing that?
Caine flies into the frame
Caine: Why is everybody just standing around when there's ADVENTURE to be had? *The camera changes so that he's facing it with a curtain in the background and Bubble is floating next to him* Today's adventure is... *He gestures to the floating letters that appear as he speaks* The Mystery of Mildenhall Manor! *Mildenhall Manor appears*

behind him That's right! This big, spooky mansion has been rumored to be filled to the brim with paranormal activity! *Lightning strikes behind the mansion and thunder rumbles before the curtain background appears again* It's up to you to solve the house's deep mysteries and capture all the ghoulish ghost activity you can. And for the first time ever, you can... *He freezes with his teeth clenched together. His eyes slide through them, making a gritty scraping sound* Where's Zooble? I-I made this adventure really cool and "m-m-matoor" just for them.

Low growling

Bubble: *speaking backwards; I can't wait for the children in the audience to get horrible nightmares from the monster* !retsnom eht morf seramthgin elbirroh teg ot ecneidua eht ni nerdlihc eht lla rof tiaw t'nac I

Caine: What?

Pomni: The NPCs aren't gonna become self-aware in this one, right?

Caine: How should I know? I'm not the boss. Oh wait -- yes, I am! HAHAHAHAHAHA! *Waves hand dismissively* Anyway, everybody into the fractal noise. It's adventuring time!

Entering Mildenhall Manor

The scene transitions into Mildenhall Manor, where the circus members walk around and explore inside together

Ragatha: Oh, this place is spooky. I wonder how hard Caine's gonna go with the scare-factor?

Pomni: I hope this adventure doesn't end up being another horrible nightmare. I'm not really a fan of horror, and I don't really handle jumpscares that well.

Jax: Boo!

Pomni jumps and stammers in fright

Jax: Ha! Come on. That wasn't even scary. What, you scared of the vacuum cleaner, too? *He pulls out a vacuum cleaner*

Ragatha: Hey, be nice to her. She's had a rough couple of days.

Jax: Her and everyone else. Right, Gangle?

The camera pans over to Gangle and Kinger as a ghostly giggle is heard

Gangle: Does anybody hear that?

The giggling intensifies until a horrifying visage of a ghost appears, causing

Pomni to scream and for her eyes to pop out. The scary ghost then turns into Ghostly, a much more cute and friendly ghost
Ghostly: Hey, I'm Ghostly!
Pomni: Wha...? *Her eyes fall to the floor*
Ghostly: And I'll be your guide today! *He spins around*
Pomni: *picks up her eyes* Why won't they go back in?
Kinger: *chuckles* I remember my first wild take. I don't know why they're not retracting, though. *He tries to help pop Pomni's eyeballs back in her eye holes, only for them to fall back out* That didn't happen for me.
Ghostly: Before you continue on your adventure, you have to choose which door you're gonna go through! The door on the left is the NORMAL door!
Caine: *voiceover* Rated WOW for all ages!
Ghostly: The door on the right is the really scary door.
Caine: *voiceover* Rated AAAAA for mature Zoobles only!
Ghostly: It's up to you to deci-- *He screams as Jax sucks Ghostly into the vacuum cleaner she picked up*
Ragatha: Why--Wha--Jax!
Jax: What? I thought we were supposed to capture all the ghosts.
Gangle: Uhh... which door should we choose?
Jax: Hmm, not sure. *Grins at Gangle* Let's try this out.
Jax grabs Gangle's comedy mask and throws it at a door. A pair of jaws snap open, breaking the wooden door in front of it as it snarls. Gangle's mask falls through it
Gangle: Aww...
Ragatha glares at Jax
Kinger: Don't worry, Gangle! I'll get it for you!
Kinger dives into the hole behind the door, still holding onto Pomni's eye
Pomni: Eh? *She grunts and stammers as her eye socket, still being attached to her face, is being pulled, causing her to fall and get dragged towards the door* WAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAUUGHH-- *She attempts to grab onto anything she can to keep herself from getting pulled through the door, but she still falls through. The door closes its jaws as Pomni's other eye follows after her. The door slurps it up and disappears*
Jax: Oh, that's the scary door.

Therapy Session with Caine & Zooble

The scene cuts back to the Circus as Caine calls out for Zooble

Caine: *sing-song* Zooble, come on out! *normal voice* I just want to talk to you!

Caine thinks for a moment

Caine: Oh, I know! *snap!*

Mystical shimmering sounds are heard as Zooble immediately floats right in front of Caine

Zooble: What th-- *scoffs* Could you have done that the whole time? *Zooble was back down on the ground*

Caine: Zooble, I-I just want to get to the bottom *Caine floats to Zooble, placing a hand on their shoulder* of why you keep skipping all my amazing adventures. *Zooble removes his hand from their shoulder* You could end up really hurting Bubble's feelings.

Zooble: Uh, Bubble's feelings?

Caine: E-Enough about Bubble's feelings! How about *points to Zooble* YOUR feelings? *snap!*

A red small plush chair and a red long couch floats to them; Caine sits on the plush chair while Zooble lies down on the long couch as walls with paintings and a floor with a red rug plus a small table with a plant and lamp came to form like what would a room in therapy look like

Zooble: I--

Caine: *interrupts Zooble* So, what's on your mind, Zooble? *grabs out a red pen and a red notepad*

Zooble: I... *attempts to get out of the couch* would rather not.

Caine: *floats right in front of Zooble, wide eyed and starts laughing* Hahahahaha! That's hilarious! *floats back to the plush chair* Go on.

Zooble: No, I mean, *grabs a cyan circular piece out of their chest* I've already told you what my problem is. You just never remember because... *places the piece back on their chest* Oh, never mind.

Caine: *a brain floats between his open hands* My mind is a *the brain twists* beeswax-polished coconut. *the brain disappears after Caine squishes it between his hands* Nothing ever escapes these cakes. *points the eyes between his hands* So, what can I do to make my adventures

more... *the pupils in his eyes dilate with the eyelashes appearing* appealing *the pupils no longer dilates and the eyelashes disappears* to you?
Zooble: See? This is exactly what I'm talking about. All you're thinking about is your adventures. It has nothing to do with the adventures. It's more just... Ugh, forget it. You're probably not even listening.
Caine: Zooble, look at this cool bee I drew. *shows a sketch on a bee on his notepad*
Zooble's bottom eyelid twitches

The Start of the Scary Path
A green portal appears and disappears after Kinger and Pomni falls down to the ground in a scenery of a dark manor
Pomni: *groans and gets up, also relieving her eyeballs went back in her sockets* Where are we?
Thunder crashes as eerie music plays while every character's creepy variants' heads are on a wall. The camera pans, circling Pomni being shocked and scared
Pomni: *turns to a creepy variant of Zooble* Oh, that's... *turns to her creepy variant of herself* Noooo...
Kinger walks up to the fireplace, the camera switches to the unholy creature's head, and Kinger stops, resulting in Pomni bumping into him behind him
Kinger: I wonder what this thing is? *his hand floats to click on the tape*
Baron Mildenhall: *over speakers throughout* My name is Baron Theodore Mildenhall. Hunting has been a hobby of mine for as long as I can remember -- although one could say it eventually became more of an obsession. *the camera switches back to the unholy creature* The creature you see before you is one I've been pursuing for years. Not quite a man... *the camera switches to Kinger* but not quite an animal. *Kinger slid to the left side while Pomni walks to the right side of the fireplace, looking at the creature's head* Something... unholy. Something evil. I took it upon myself to spend every waking moment doing all I could to protect my family from the creature, hoping that when I eventually killed it, I would be freed from this awful feeling. This inescapable dread. I was wrong. *the tape clicks as it ends*

Kinger: You know, I'm starting to think... *silence*
Pomni: How about we try to find a way back up to the others?
They both turned to walk to a door; as Pomni opens it, there was a brick of walls covering inside
Pomni: *sarcastically* Okay, cool. That's great. I LOVE these adventures. *Her bottom eyelid twitches in annoyance*
Kinger walks up to an old-fashioned elevator
Kinger: We could always ride this thingy up.
Pomni walks up to try and open the gates of the elevator, grunting maniacally during her attempts. She stops and goes back down to the ground
Pomni: It's locked. It's locked -- of course! It's locked! *sarcastically* I LOVE that it's locked!
The scene cuts to Pomni and Kinger opening a door to a room then to Pomni opening drawers to find a key. Pomni gets startled as Kinger click on the tape. She shoots him a quick glare, with Kinger waving at her in embarrassment, before continuing her search for the key
Baron Mildenhall: *over speakers* Tuesday, December 4th. Although I had shot the creature multiple times in its vitals and severed its head to keep it as a prize on my wall... my troubles were just beginning. I took my eyes off the body for what felt like only a minute, and when I looked back, the body was gone. The creature was not dead, and it would be back to reclaim what I'd taken from it. If anyone is listening to this, all I ask of you is one thing -- do not let that head out of your sight, you've been warned.
Kinger: Well, this is some rather inconvenient lore placement.
Pomni: *rises up with a key; in a crazy voice with a maniacal face* I got it!
The lights turn off. Kinger's and Pomni's eyes open up, but their eyes are glowing and animated in 2D instead of 3D
Kinger: And this is some rather inconvenient darkness.
Pomni: *groans then wails* AHH!!! What was that? Was that you?
Kinger: No... Oh wait -- you mean me grabbing you right now? Yeah, that was me. I-Is this your hand? *pokes Pomni's eyeball*
Pomni: Ugh! That's my eye.
Kinger: Yes, but WHICH eye?

Pomni: I really don't think that ma-- *Kinger touches her eye again* Will you stop touching my eye?
Kinger: Oh, yeah. Sorry.
Kinger: *suddenly shrieks*
Pomni: Wh-- W-What just happened?
Kinger: I just remembered a really funny joke.
Pomni: A j-- Y-You -- *sighs* Why did you scream, then?
Kinger: Maybe it wasn't actually that funny.
Pomni: *Whispers* Oh, my god.
Kinger: I thiiiiiink... we should hold on to each other and slowly make our way back to the trophy room.
Pomni: U-Uh, sounds fine to me.
They both walked for a moment then stopped, hearing a creaking sound
Pomni: *whispering* What was that?
Kinger: *whispering* What's what?
creaking sound
Pomni: That!
Kinger: It's probably just magnets. Or a boat.
Pomni: *stammers* A boat?
Kinger: W-Whatever the case, I think we should be completely quiet.
Pomni: I -- Okay, yeah. I agree. You know, you're really hit-and-miss with these things, sometimes.
A fly buzzes and Kinger tries to kill it by slapping it between his hands
Pomni stammers
Kinger: There's a fly in here. *He tries to swat at it again*
Pomni: *stammers* Don't you think that's making a lot of noi-- Oh, God, there is a fly.
Their eyes both follow the fly as Kinger continues to try to kill it
Kinger: Aaaaaand… Gotcha! *He slaps again and the buzzing stops* I think I got him. I can't see my hands.
A third pair of eyes appear behind them, only these are large, glowing and orange. A creature's face lights up as the eye's turn black and white
The creature shrieks
Pomni and Kinger look at the creature, frightened. The creature stops shrieking and its face goes dark

Kinger: I'm sorry, could you speak up? I couldn't quite make that out.
Pomni: the fly! Run!
The creature starts shrieking again and Kinger turns around to look at it again
Pomni: Come on come on come on come on come on come on come on!! *She fumbles the key and reaches to pick it back up*
Kinger: Pomni, I think this might be the creature from the tapes!
Pomni: *Stammers and groans at Kinger in frustration Come on come on come on come on come on come on come oooon!!* She goes back to attempting to unlock the elevator door
The creature shrieks again and Kinger looks into its mouth, which is full of flickering white circles
Kinger: *dazed* You look beautiful, honey...
Pomni: Got it! *She runs over to Kinger, who is leaning into the mouth of the creature and tugs at his robe Come on!*
Kinger: *stammers* Huh? Oh, yeah.
They both run over to the elevator and enter it
Kinger: Prepare for take-off, 'cause this boat is going up!
Kinger points upwards as the dumbwaiter shakes slightly before starting to descend
Kinger: Huh?? That's not up, that's not up at all! *He shakes Pomni* Why aren't we going up?! UUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUP!!!
The dumbwaiter goes down

The Therapy Conflict between Caine & Zooble
Caine: *Angry* I do not use my adventures to torture my guests!! Any torment I inflict is 100% accidental, *crosses two arms while turning teeth-like-head away to not look at Zooble* like any good war criminal!
Zooble: *scoffs* We weren't even talking about that! I really couldn't give less of a crap about the adventures.
Caine: Then what is your problem, Zooble?! I'm trying my best to remember, but both you and my brain won't tell me!
Zooble: *sighs* It's me, remember? I don't like... myself. I hate this body. I hate all these stupid removable pieces. I just want to find something that feels... good.
Caine: Oh, yeah -- now I remember why I couldn't remember. It's

because that problem is already solved! *Caine snaps his fingers as the camera angle changes to a close-up shot of a box of Zooble pieces that appears, with the label "Zoobles." The box floats up and down and spins slowly as Caine continues to speak* Simply swap out your undesirable Zooble parts for better ones!
Zooble: I've been trying to find parts I like since the day I got here.
Caine: So, back to the adventures!
Zooble: Forget it.
Caine: 'Forget it'?
Zooble: Just forget it.
Caine: Forget what?
Zooble: Caine, nobody likes your stupid adventures.
Caine: Ha-ha! Good one, Zooble!
Zooble: Ragatha's just too nice to say anything. Jax just likes to with everybody. Gangle's too shy to speak up. Kinger's insane. And -- And Pomni... She looks traumatized every time she comes back from one.
Caine: Oh, Zooble, Zooble, Zooble. Making adventures is my art! It's all I exist to do! All I'm... good at. A-And uh... *chuckles* ...w-what you're saying could imply that I'm bad at the only thing I'm good at, and that... *chuckles weakly and stammers as his eyes glitch* That'd be...
Static cracks and ominous rumbling is heard as the background glitches
Zooble: U-Uh, whose therapy session is this, again?
The glitching and noises stop
Caine: *After remembering the therapy session, he snaps back to his old self* Oh, yeah! We need to get to the bottom of your behavioral issues! *Picks up pencil and notebook again* I'm gonna show you some ink blots, and you're gonna say the first word that comes to your mind. *He shows Zooble a drawing that resembles his face over an ink blot. Zooble gives him a death glare.*

In the Cellar
The dumbwaiter explodes on impact with the ground, launching Pomni and Kinger out of them.
Pomni: *groans* What? Oh, God, where are we now?
Kinger: I'm not sure. A cellar of some kind.
The pair find a shotgun lying on a dead body near the barrels. Kinger clicks

on the tape again

Baron Mildenhall: *over speakers* Things have gotten far worse than I could ever have imagined. My paranoia had driven me to the point where I was no longer the protector my wife and theoretical children needed. Jumping at every shadow, every noise. I ended up shooting the love of my life, mistaking her for the creature. It's ironic, isn't it? In my attempts to protect her, I ended up becoming the monster myself. Now I wait down in my cellar, no longer having anything to protect my own soul. If nothing else... I will slay the beast that took everything from me. *the tape clicks as it ends*

Kinger: How's about we take his gun?

Pomni: Yeah, sounds good to me. *She runs up to the dead body and slowly tries to attempt to take the gun* Please don't come alive...

Baron Mildenhall: Okay, I won't.

This startles Pomni, who looks at both sides and quickly takes the gun. She and Kinger examine it, only two shells are in the gun

Kinger: Looks like we've got two shots. Let's make them count.

Pomni: Uh, yeah. *She hears a distant clang*

Kinger: Stay behind me.

A headless body crawls out of the hole. Pomni notices the shrieking creature coming back again

Pomni: *laughs nervously* Uh, Kinger? I-I think we may have a problem this way, too.

Kinger: Just leave it to me. I can handle this. *He shoots the headless body just before it attacks them* Well. That wasn't so bad.

Baron Mildenhall: *through the tape* Which is what I would be saying if I didn't know that the creature was actually one of God's angels.

Kinger: What.

Baron Mildenhall: *through the tape* And anyone who brings harm to it will be dragged down into the cold, spiraling pits of Hell, where my soul resides.

The body of the angel stretches a retractable wing, which has eyes on it that dart around

Baron Mildenhall: *still speaking through the tape* I apologize, dear listener, but I need a living host in order to escape the hall of the

damned, and your bodies will be my only means of doing so.
Kinger: Now, wait. How did he record this if he was in Hell?
Arms sprout up from the floor and grab onto Kinger and Pomni
Pomni: *shrieks* Oh, no! Let go of me!
Kinger: *wails*
Baron Mildenhall: *through the tapes* I hope you're ready, because the next breath you take down there will be your last, and your bodies will belong to me.
The arms pull Pomni and Kinger through the floor. Their heads are still above the surface
Pomni: Let go of me! *She bangs her head and presses her hands against the floor to keep from being pulled down. She and Kinger wail* I HATE THIS STUPID ADVENTURE!!
They both get pulled through the floor all the way

Teatime with Martha Mildenhall
The camera cuts to Ragatha, Gangle, and Martha Mildenhall, who are sitting at a table drinking tea as peaceful piano music plays
Ragatha: *takes a sip from the teacup* Mmm, good tea. Sorry again about your husband killing you and everything.
Martha Mildenhall: *voice echoing softly* Oh, you know how men are. Always having the silliest priorities.
Ragatha: *chuckles wryly* Don't I know it. *She glances at Jax, who is tied up in the corner of the room*
Jax: *lets out muffled shouts as he wiggles back and forth, trying to break free to no success*
Martha Mildenhall: If your friends see him, I only hope he doesn't bore them to death with his endless monologues. *picks up teacup* That man could turn a 57-second story into a Greek tragedy. *sips tea*
Ragatha: I'll be sure to ask them next time I see 'em. *stands up* Thanks again for the tea. I had a really nice time here.
Martha Mildenhall: *chuckles* Don't mention it. Feel free to visit anytime.
Ragatha: *pulling Jax out the door with a wagon as Gangle follows from behind* Definitely! *She waves as she continues to the exit*
Caine: *A congratulations sign appears, showing they have taken the pacifist*

route Congratulations, my little ironclad waffle cones! You've taken the pacifist route, and you should be proud of what good people you are! Unfortunately, we still need to wait until your other teammates finish their adventure before I can grant you permission to leave!
Gangle: I wonder how long that'll be.

Stuck in Hell and Kinger's Past
Pomni and Kinger have landed below in Hell.
Kinger: Not really typical of what you'd think Hell would be.
Pomni: We...are literally in Hell right now. *echoes* Hell! *She gets up and walks around crazily* Of course I'd be in Hell. How could I not be in literal Hell right now?
Kinger: *Puts a hand on her shoulder, to prevent her from losing it any further* Just try to stay calm. I'm sure Caine included a way to escape.
They walk forward to a swarm of souls floating.
Kinger: Hold on... *He ponders* Let me try something.
He takes his left eye and tosses it into the souls. It looks around.
Kinger: Hey, there's actually a staircase down there. It could be a way out. Maybe it'll work for us since we still have our bodies? Though, I'm worried about what that tape said earlier.
Pomni: I'm just gonna try going fast.
Kinger: Wait, Pomni!
She runs forward, but stops as souls enter through her mouth. Her body twitches as if she is being possessed. Her face distorts and her eyes glow orange rings.
Kinger: Pomni!
The Possessed Pomni turns her head around, laughing maniacally.
Possessed Pomni: Freeeeedooooom.
Kinger: Pomni!
He extends his hand out and grabs her, forcing her back towards him. Her body twitches on the ground.
Kinger: Hey! *He begins to beat the demons out of her with the shotgun* You get out of her, you damn evil souls!
Possessed Pomni: How's your wife, Kinger?
Eventually, the souls leave Pomni and she returns to her normal self. She begins coughing and panting.

Kinger: Hey. You all right there?
Pomni: *Panting, and says in very traumatized voice;* No.
Kinger: I'm guessing the souls are attracted to living things. Just want a vessel to be able to leave with. Man... Seven years of computer science for this, huh? Heh.
Pomni: Why?
Kinger looks at her worried
Pomni: Every day I spend here is one nightmare after the next! I KNEW IT WOULD END UP LIKE THIS! He- *She sits on the ground* He just wants me to suffer. *She curls up and buries her face into her legs* I really am in Hell...
Kinger: Don't say that. You're not in- Well, I-I guess we are technically in- Eh, forget about that. *He sits down next to her* How about we just relax for a bit while nothing's chasing us?
Overcome with all the stress and horrors she went through recently, Pomni begins to quietly sob to herself. Kinger attempts to reach out to her.
Kinger: It was my fault we went down this path, wasn't it? I'm really... sorry for that...
Pomni stops sobbing and wipes the tears form her eyes.
Pomni: Why have you been acting so different lately...?
Kinger: *Chuckles* I have, haven't I? I'm normally not too good with memories. But being surrounded by darkness always... brings me back to a certain time.
Kinger flashes back to when Queenie abstracted.
Kinger: Right after my wife had- had abstracted... I don't recall the exact string of events, but we both ended up in the fort together. And it was dark. The darkness seemed to calm her down a bit. The harsh, jagged edges smoothed out, and she didn't seem aggravated anymore.
Kinger reaches his hand out to comfort his wife.
Kinger: She wasn't the same as before, but she was calm enough to touch one last time... before she got sent to the cellar.
Flashback ends.
Kinger: I'm always taken back to that moment when engulfed in darkness.
Pomni: You had a wife? Like, here in the circus?

Kinger: Yeah. She was funny, creative- really into entomology. I used to hate bugs, but... she somehow got me to like them. *Chuckles lightly* It's not the most cheerful memory, but... it's one I at least have control over. I know how it can feel in this... circus. Sometimes it all just feels... pointless.
Pomni: Yeah...
Kinger: But it's not. Not if you have people who care about you. Good memories can do a lot. Hold onto them. And cherish the people around you. You never know when they'll be gone. In this world, the worst thing you can do is... make someone think they're not wanted or loved.
Pomni: *scoots a little closer to Kinger* I'm glad you're here with me.
They sit in silence, enjoying each other's company in this time of distress. Soon, Kinger speaks more.
Kinger: You know, I've been thinking about that last tape. He said, "The next breath you take down there... may be your last." Maybe we can get through if we don't breathe.
Pomni: I'm not very good at holding my breath...
Kinger: Well… How about we try... not thinking about it?
Pomni: *Stammers lightly* If we leave and we go back to the circus... you're just gonna go back to being crazy. You're not gonna remember any of this. Are you...?
Kinger: Don't worry about me. *He gets up* As long as you remember it, things will be okay. You're very strong, Pomni. And I know you'll be able to get through this. Just hold onto me. We'll get through it together. You ready?
Pomni grabs Kinger's hand as he helps her up to her feet. They inhale, hold their breaths in, and walk through the souls. As Pomni's face shifts colors, Kinger starts glowing, bringing light into the darkness as he guides Pomni to the staircase on the other side, like an angel guiding a soul into peace. They soon reach the other side, exhale, and ascend up the staircase.

Back with the Others
The duo make it back to where Ragatha, Gangle, and Jax are waiting.
Ragatha: Oh, Pomni! Kinger! Are you guys okay? Was it scary?
Pomni: I'm fine, actually. *She notices Jax is tied up in the wagon* What

happened up here?
Ragatha: Uh, don't worry about that.
Kinger: Pomni was very brave. At least, I think she was... Were you?
Pomni: Something like that. *She walks over to Ragatha* Hey, Ragatha.
Ragatha: Yeah?
Pomni: I just want to say... *Sighs* Thanks for always being concerned about me. I feel like, through everything, I haven't really been appreciative enough about that.
Ragatha: O-Oh! Thank you, Pomni. I just want to make sure you're doin' alright. You know, we care about you.
Gangle: Did you remember to get my comedy mask?
Kinger: ...!!!!
End of the Spooky Adventure
Back in the circus, Caine is now lying down on the couch, Zooble is sitting in the therapist's chair, and Bubble is wearing Caine's hat.
Caine: And- And now, I-I'm just starting to wonder if the "Wild West" was... e-even a real direction at all... *He checks his non-existent watch* Whoopsie-daisy! Looks like everybody completed the adventure and they're coming home! Quick, pretend we weren't having a therapy session!
Caine grabs his hat off Bubble, and shakes his staff out of his hat, and leaves, which leaves Zooble confused.
Zooble: Okay...?
Caine flies over to the portal to welcome back the gang.
Caine: Welcome back, my meowing milkmaids!
Jax: *Annoyed, glaring at Caine over the stupid nickname* Don't ever call us that again.
Pomni watches Kinger go back into his pillow fort and she smiles. Jax approaches her and tries to tease her, but fails.
Jax: Heh, so, what was it like being stuck with the nutcase?
Pomni: It wasn't that bad, actually.

Softball Lesson
In the Circus' tent, Ragatha is standing next to Gangle and Jax is standing at a distance with a baseball bat.

Ragatha: *Demonstrating while speaking* So, you just wind your arm backwards in a big circle, release right at the bottom, and follow through. *She catches the ball after she gently throws it straight up.* You got that? *She gives the ball to Gangle, who has a slightly concerned expression on her face.*
Gangle: Uh...
The camera turns so that Jax is in the frame
Jax: You're wasting your time, Raggy.
Ragatha: *sighs* Just wait a second.
Gangle: Like this? *She moves her arm in a swift, circular motion with the ball in her hand without letting go.*
Ragatha: Yeah, you got it! *She gives Gangle a thumbs up of approval.*
Gangle pitches the ball to Jax, who hits it with his bat. The ball then hits Gangle mask breaking her comedy mask.
Gangle: Oof!
Ragatha: JAX!
Jax: *from far away* I actually didn't mean to do that!
Ragatha: Are you alright, Gangle?
Gangle: Ow...
Ragatha: *Turns to Jax, sighing angrily* Why do you always gotta do this?
Jax: *Walks towards Ragatha* What? I just said it was an accident!
Ragatha: Unbelievable. You are UNBELIEVABLE!
Zooble walks up to Gangle as Ragatha and Jax continue arguing. Their dialogue is muffled while Zooble speaks.
Zooble: Hey, Gangle. I think I found something you might like.
Jax: Why do you always make me out to be the bad guy?
Ragatha: Jax!!
Jax: I'm not really a bad guy![1]
Gangle gets up to follow Zooble as Ragatha and Jax's argument can be heard again.
Ragatha: *sarcastically* Oh right, of course! What was I thinking?!

New Mask
The camera cuts to Gangle and Zooble in Zooble's room. Zooble is rummaging through their box of Zooble pieces.
Zooble: I dunno if it'll work, but it looks about the same shape as

yours.
Zooble pulls out a smiling mask with a pink swirl on the right cheek, a star on the left cheek, a right eye with a black pupil and white eye, and a left eye with a white pupil and black eye.
Gangle: Oh.
Gangle is about to take it before Zooble leans in closer and slightly moves the mask
Zooble: And the best part is, it's plastic. *They shake it around, making a "thunk-thunk!" sound.* So it won't break as easily.
Gangle takes the mask and holds it up to her face. She then turns her head to look at Zooble.
Zooble: Try it on.
Gangle puts the mask on and the camera switches to her point of view. Gangle opens her eyes and looks in the mirror as Zooble reenters the frame, next to the mirror.
Zooble: How's it feel?
Gangle: It feels... *She touches the star on her mask and looks back at her reflection.* Normal. *smiles* Like, in a good way.
Zooble: That's good. Right?
Gangle: Yeah. Thank you, Zooble!
Zooble looks away shyly, touching the back of their head with their left hand and flicking their right wrist.
The camera cuts to the doorway to Zooble's room as Jax enters the frame. Ragatha and Pomni also join the frame, with Pomni standing in the middle of the doorway and Ragatha leaning to her left to peek through the door.
Jax: What the heck is this? *He leans against the door.* You're just givin' away parts now?
Zooble: So what if I am? I'm not giving any to YOU. *They cross their arms and scowl at Jax.*
Jax: *hisses through teeth* Darn. I guess you're never gettin' that unicorn horn, Pomni.
Pomni: When did I ever say anything about that?
Gangle: I think you'd look good with one.
Pomni: *looks up at her forehead and touches her temple with her finger* Well, it's possib--

Caine floats down into the frame.
Caine: Did somebody say "adventure"?
Pomni: No...?

The Adventure Suggestion Box
The camera cuts to Caine floating in front of a red curtain in the circus tent, with Bubble floating next to him. Pomni, Gangle, Zooble, Kinger, Ragatha, and Jax are all standing on the tiled floor in front of Caine and Bubble.
Caine: Today's adventure is... *He gestures to floating letters that appear as he speaks. The letters spell "THE CURSE OF THE VIOLENT PSYCHOPATH BUTCHER".* THE CURSE OF THE VIOLENT PSYCHOPATH BUTCHER! *The letters disappear.* That's right! Scary human meat is all over the walls, and boy, is it smelly! *He shakes Bubble aggressively.* It's up to you to--
Pomni: *raises hand* Okay, wait, wait, wait, wait. Can we, like, chill with the horror? Please? I really don't want this to be like last time.
Zooble: What happened last time? Was that the one made for me?
Pomni: There was this awful, horrifying angel head thing. And when we tried to fight back at all, we got sent to Hell, where evil souls tried to infest our bodies... It was bad.
Zooble: *looks up to Caine in confused way* Why did you think I would like that?
Caine: Well, if you're all gonna be such CRITICS. why don't you suggest a better one?
Zooble: We do! Have you not checked the suggestion box once?
The camera turns with Caine as he turns to look at a red-and-yellow box labeled "SUGGESTIONS", which is crammed full of papers that are sticking out of the slot they were put in.
Caine: ...Gonna be real, I forgot we had that.
Zooble: I knew it.
Pomni: We have a suggestion box?
Zooble: Basically, no.
Caine rips the suggestion box off the wall it was attached to, which causes the wall to leak water. Jax steps out of the way of the stream while everyone else stares at it.

Caine: Bubble, plug that up.
Bubble: Bleh!
Bubble plugs the leak with his tongue as Caine begins to read the suggestion letters.
Caine: "How about an adventure where Zooble gets turned into a piñata, and we all take turns beating them up?"
Jax: *chuckles* That one's mine.
Zooble: Who would have guessed?
Caine: "Let's just have an adventure where Jax can't talk... *he makes a zipping motion with his hand as he shuts his mouth, making the rest of his sentence muffled* ...for the entire thing."
Jax: *sarcastically* Genuinely hurtful.
Zooble: Good.
Gangle: Can we maybe pick one that's more... normal?
Caine: *waves arms while holding the box, making 3 suggestion letters fall out and float away.* W-Well, I don't know what's NORMAL to you people! *He turns away and pulls out another suggestion from the box.* "Let's have one where we all work at a fast food place." *He turns back to face Gangle.* Is that normal?
Jax: Who wrote that?
Gangle: Uh, yeah, that's pretty normal.
Caine: Great! *He throws the suggestion box.* That means today's adventure is... *The camera turns so he's in front of a red curtain again as he gestures to floating words that appear as he speaks.* An Honest Hard Day's Work at Spudsy's Restaurant Chain! *The camera turns to Gangle as Caine points to her.* And YOU can be the shift manager! *He salutes at Gangle.*
Jax: *with a very serious annoyed face, turns his head slowly to Gangle while talking* You did not just make that today's adventure.
Caine: That's right! You've shown enough leadership skills today to be the perfect shift manager! Of course, of course! I'm already getting tons of ideas! Haha--
Caine sticks his tongue out as Bubble's tongue disappears, causing the water to continue leaking. Caine then pushes his tongue back into his mouth and Bubble's tongue plugs the leak again.

Caine: That was weird.
Zooble: *starts walking away* Well, see you guys when it's over.
Caine: Wh-- AGAIN?!
Zooble: I'm not gonna be a wage slave for fun.
Kinger: *gasps* Oh, I know! I could sit this one out, and Zooble could take my place!
Zooble: Wh-- That's not how that works!
Caine: Great idea, Kinger! It'll be nice to have you back on board, Zooble.
Zooble: Wh-- Are you kidding me?! I'm not just gonna be forced into this stupid adventu--
Caine: You can shut up now!
Caine presses a button and a trapdoor opens underneath Zooble, making them fall.
Zooble: *descending* AAAAAAAAAAAAAUUUUGH!!!
Echoes of Zooble's scream can be heard.
Gangle: I think I might be able to give it a swing. Being a shift manager was my job at one point.
Caine: Then what are we waiting for? Get your nonslip shoes ready, 'cause we're going to Spudsy's! *He gestures to a circular portal as it appears.*
Gangle walks through the portal. Jax takes a step on the wet floor and slips, falling on his face.
Jax: AGH!

Opening Spudsy's Doors
Shot of Spudsy's in the morning; first the exterior, then the interior. The cast is standing in their place with their respective uniform on, while Zooble falls through the ceiling from the trapdoor.
Zooble: *screaming while still falling* --AAAGH! They fall face-first onto the floor. Ragatha, Jax and Pomni notices.
Gangle: Well, I guess I should get into manager mode and get us all kicked off!
Gangle goes around turning on various machinery.
Gangle: And with that out of the way, let's get to work, guys!
Jax: Oh, no! It looks like I've taken Ragatha... *picks up Ragatha, holding*

her up over his head
Ragatha: Huh?
Jax: ...And dropped her in the deep fryer!
Jax plops Ragatha into the deep fryer head-first, submerging her up to her legs. Ragatha's burbled screaming can be heard as her legs kick all over the place.
Gangle: *sternly* Oh, no no no no no no NO! We can't have *anything* like that going on around here!
Jax: What are you gonna do about it, though?
Gangle: I'm calling upper management!
She picks her phone up and calls Caine, who is out like a light in his office until the phone ringing wakes him up.
Caine: Mmmmyello?
Gangle: Hey, Caine! We're having a bit of an issue with the employees, and I was wondering if you could maybe have a punishment waiting for them at the end of the day if they do a terrible job?
Jax: Wait, what?
Caine: Motivation! That's what my adventures have been missing! Great idea, Gangle. I'll be sure to make something truly awful awaiting your rotten employees. *hangs up*
Jax: *frustrated confusion* Why would you do this?
Gangle: *closing her phone* It's called a manic episode, and you're gettin' three more seasons! *laughs heartily* Anyway. Jax, it's your job to set up the drink station, make new coffee and iced tea, and fill the ice cream machine. So, get to it!
She saunters off jauntily as Jax stares blankly and Ragatha continues screaming in the deep fryer and kicking her legs.
Jax: ...This is really weird.

Breakfast
The camera cuts to outside Spudsy's as red text that displays the word "BREAKFAST" enters the frame from the left. A "whoosh" sound effect is played as it slides into the frame. The camera then cuts to Zooble frying patties. They try to use their spatula hand, but they get burned. The grill hisses.
Zooble: AGH!...

The camera cuts to the register, where Pomni is standing. She looks at the buttons on the register as bouncing footsteps are heard. She looks up to see what's happening. A strange customer walks into the frame.

Strange Customer: *rubbery* Hello, I am ready to order!

Pomni: Oh, uh -- uh, what can I get for you today?

Ragatha: *walks up beside Pomni* Oh, hey! It's Orbsman. Oh, he's from a previous adventure. Uh, before your time.

Orbsman: *rubbery* That's right, it's me, Orbsman! Can I order the classic #57 value meal?

Short pause.

Pomni: Okay, uh, a Number 57. *taps a button on the cash register*

Jax: *looks at Orbsman* Oh, I *haaate* this guy.

Gangle: *comes up from the ground* Never say you hate the customer while the customer is still *gives a pointed look to Orbsman* here. We wait until after hours for that.

Music softly plays through the restaurant speakers.

Jax: *looks at the clock* Ugh.

NPC 1: *walks up to the counter, speaking rudely and tapping the counter with their hand* Excuse me. Yeah, little jester? I'd like to order the Stupid Burger. Last time I ordered it here, they forgot to add the sauce that makes you stupid. *taps their head with their hand* Don't forget the sauce.

Pomni: I-Is that a thing we have?

NPC 1: Yes. I order it all the time. *twitches aggressively for a moment* I'm addicted.

Pomni: Okay. One Stupid Burger. *taps two buttons on the cash register*

Ragatha: Heard you loud and clear!

Ragatha grabs the sauce bottle and squirts it onto the burger, but accidentally gets some in her eye. She wipes it off her eye with her hand and turns to her right, digitally hallucinating. Sinister music plays as she hallucinates. In the hallucination, she sees Gangle in the distance, facing away from her. Gangle turns to Ragatha, and the features of her mask have changed; the eyeholes are perfectly circular, with bright ring-like highlights in the center, and her mouth is stretched into an exaggerated, toothy grin. The point of view shifts back to reality, where Ragatha guffaws

softly.
Jax walks up to Zooble and leans his arm onto a range hood.
Jax: So, you're just, like, actually doing the job.
Zooble: Yeah? I don't want Caine to punish me.
Jax: *scoffs* Caine's not gonna do anything malicious. It's... *sniffs* ...Not in his nature.
Zooble: You really want to find out? The only thing holding Caine back is the fact that he likes us. *flips a burger on the grill* I wouldn't push it.
Jax: That's rich coming from you.
Jax takes a look at the clock, again.
Jax: Ugh!

The Return of Gummigoo

Pomni sets a box in front of the register so that she can see and reach the buttons more easily. She stands on it as Gummigoo walks up to the register. Pomni looks up and sees Gummigoo, which surprises her. She yelps and falls off the box onto the floor. She gets back up and waves at Gummigoo.
Pomni: Hello!
Gummigoo: 'Ello, sheila! I'll have a sausage bacon jaffle combo. And the mates here just want six hash browns split between 'em.
Pomni: Yeah, yeah, okay. Uh, are you-- Do y-y-you-- Hi!
Gummigoo: Uh, you, uh-- You alright, miss?
Pomni: Y-yeah, yeah, yeah. I'm fiiiine. I'll call your order when your name's ready, er-- *stammers* Yeah.
Gummigoo, Max and Chad walk to their table
Chad: Aw, wait-- I forgot to ask for a kid's meal toy!
Gummigoo: You're not a kid.
Chad: Ah, yeah! Uh, an adult toy, then.
Gummigoo: Eh, don't know about that one, mate.
Pomni attempts to sneakingly crawl to their table.
Gummigoo: Uh, can I help you, miss?
Pomni: I, uh... *laughs nervously* …Just wanted to say hi.
Gummigoo: Um… Hi. Do we know each other?
Pomni: I... don't know.
Gangle was walking through and notices Pomni is gone.

Gangle: What?! Ragatha, where's Pomni?
Ragatha: slurring Huh? Oh, she's flirting with the gummy guy, 'cause she'd rather be with an NPC than with us, or something.
Gangle: Hmm... Well, that won't do. *walks off, displeased*
Ragatha: I wish someone would flirt with me...
Over at Gummigoo's table, Gangle pops up from behind Gummigoo's back.
Gangle: Pomni! We need you on the register! *crawling under the table to Pomni, standing upright next to her* Stop weirding the customers out!
Pomni: But it's Gummigoo. Can't the job wait a bit? It's not like this is real.
Gangle: *laughs sarcastically* Next you're gonna say my authority isn't real!
Pomni stares uncomfortably into Gangle's face, the latter's eye twitching slightly, with a brief cracking noise.
Gangle: *with resumed perkiness* Anyway, put away that breakfast menu, because it's lunch time!

Lunch
Gangle: All right, fellas, it's lunch rush. Get your game faces on!
Jax looks at the clock. It's 12 PM. He goes over to the register by the drive-thru window as another familiar face passes by: The Gloink Queen and her children.
Jax: *taken aback* Does this count as a bus?
Meanwhile, Pomni is talking to another NPC.
Pomni: Are you ready to order?
NPC 2: No, thanks. I got this bowl of cereal. *eats from his bowl*
Pomni: Well, there's a line of people behind-
A rumbling occurs as the Gloink Queen barges in and eats the NPCs in line.
Gloink Queen: 300 cheeseburgers for all my precious spawn!
Pomni: ...Is that for here, or to... *She looks over to see Gummigoo, Chad, and Max leaving.* Uhhhh, can you hold on for just a second?
Pomni gives the Gloink Queen a thumbs up and she goes after them. The Gloink Queen sees three of her offspring attacking another NPC.
Gloink Queen: Blumby, Skethers, Leotthew! Leave that poor, pitiful creature alone!
Ragatha: *Picks herself up behind the counter* Do all the Gloinks have

names?
Gloink Queen: Of course they do! I love and cherish every Gloink I give birth to! What kind of mother do you think I am?
Ragatha: ...iss beautiful...
Pomni walks up to Gummigoo.
Pomni: Hey, I-I... *She looks back at the Gloink Queen, who is indistinctly speaking to Ragatha.* I-I just... w-want to wish you a pleasant day. Thanks for eating at Spudsy's.
Gummigoo: ...Have a good one, miss.
Gummigoo leaves as Pomni is disappointed he still doesn't remember her.

More Training
Gangle: *sing-song* Oh, Jax!~ *normally* The bathroom looks like a biohazard and needs a good scrubbin'!
Jax: Well, I dunno... shouldn't, like, a biohazard crew take care of that?
Gangle: *laughs* Oh, Jaxy-boy. Don't you want to be a model employee?
Jax: No. I don't care about any of this.
Gangle: Well, that doesn't really sound like a can-do attitude to me.
Jax: It's not.
Gangle: *laughs stiffly* Bad!
Jax: ...I like you better when you're sad.
Gangle pauses. A cracking noise is heard and her eye is twitching.
Gangle: *laughs* Well... Maybe you just need some more... *she slows to a halt.*
Jax: ...More-
Gangle: Training!
From the dark hallway behind Jax, two giant white gloves emerge and grab him as he grunts, dragging him into a dark room.
Jax: *looking around* Uh- Huh? ...Huh??
Suddenly, a video plays on a TV in front of him.
Gangle: *On the TV* Hi! Welcome to Spudsy's! In this video, you're gonna learn the ins and outs of what makes YOU a good crew member, AND a valuable asset to the Spudsy's Corporation!
Jax: When did you make this??
Gangle: *On the TV* Now, I know what you're thinking, "I don't want a

career in fast food. I want to be a comic artist and eventually launch my own manga-inspired webcomic!" And it's cool to have dreams, but you also need to remember that they're completely unrealistic, and you need to stop trying.

Jax remains silent. His eyes dart about the room.

Gangle: *On the TV* But before we get into all that, first things first! Are you smiling?

Jax: Uh, no?

The music in the video stops. Gangle's smile disappears, her expression going neutral

Gangle: *flatly* Why not?

A chair emerges from underneath Jax. Four mechanical arms ending in white gloves emerge from the chair and grab Jax. They briefly manhandle him and then hold him up to the screen.

Jax: Uh- Uh- Wait- Uh- Wait, wait- Uh- Wait- Um- No- Nobody can see this, right?

Gangle: It's time for your employee reevaluation.

Two masks–one comedy and one tragedy–rapidly flash on the screen. Jax darts his eyes around nervously.

Preparing for Dinner

Zooble checks for a place to put a burger, while Ragatha is, what else, still under the influence of Stupid Sauce.

Ragatha: Hmm... *reaches for the sauce* Hhhhhhhhhhorseradish sauce...

Zooble: Hey! We need to start assembling these. I'm running out of room here.

Ragatha: Eh... I made, like, five or six of 'em?

Zooble: Cool. That's six out of 300.

Ragatha: Ugh, you... are such a grouch. Why are you always being a- a- a grunch? Grun- Haha, hah...

Zooble: Gangle, can you help Ragatha? I think she... huffed paint, or something.

Gangle: Huffing paint and not waiting until a designated break?! I'll be right there!

Ragatha: No, wait. I can do it. *giggling* I just gotta grab the horseradish sauce.

Gangle approaches as Ragatha giggles like an idiot.
Ragatha: *sighs* I miss my horses...
Gangle: Here, let me help you with that.
Ragatha: Why are you even the boss, anyway? I feel like I'm way more responsible than you.
Gangle: Well, if you underperform now, you might end up hurt later.
Ragatha: Hurt, nothin'! I'm hurt enough. Packages landin' on my head, tea parties, dancin' lessons...
Gangle: *turns to Zooble* ...What's wrong with her?
Zooble shrugs.
Gangle: *to Ragatha* You know, a team works much better when we're all giving it 110 percent instead of, uh... 5.
Ragatha: No offense, but... you're kind of annoying when you have your happy mask.
Gangle pauses, a crack is heard, and her eye slightly twitches.
Ragatha: Wait, is that mean to say?
Gangle: Zooble, help Ragatha with assembly. I'm gonna go over here now... *slowly walks past Zooble*
Meanwhile, a giant glove pushes Jax out of the dark room and pats his head. Jax looks at the clock. It is stuck at 12:05 PM.
Jax: Oh, are you KIDDING ME?!
Jax turns to Gangle, who is facing the side of a fridge and looking miserable.
Jax: Hey, GANGLE! I think the clock's broken.
Gangle: Is it broken? Or are we the broken ones?
Jax: Oh, great...
Gangle: *turning to Jax* How long has this shift really gone on for? Six hours? Eight? 24? A week? A year? Does time even move in here?! Will we ever go home?! W-will we ever achieve our dreams?!
Gangle's watch alarm beeps, snapping her out of her funk. She checks it.
Gangle: Oh, wait. *looks between her watch and the clock* ...Yeah, that clock's broken.

Dinner
Pomni is waving goodbye to the departing Gloink Queen and her children.
Pomni: Well, that was more info on gloink reproduction than I ever

needed to know.
Meanwhile, Jax is slowly walking until he sees Ragatha on the floor.
Jax: Can you move?
Ragatha: Yo, Jax. I, like... hate you. But I don't want you to hate me. Is that weird?
Jax: ...You're drunk, or something. *steps over her*
Ragatha: Oh, yeah... *laughs dreamily*
Jax walks over to Pomni and collapses onto the counter next to her, sighing.
Jax: How you doin'?
Pomni: Everything's been- *blinks* I'm doing... fine.
Jax: *sighs* Wish I could say the same.
Gangle: *waving to Jax, back to her perky self* Jax! There's dishes back here! You got time to lean, you got time to clean! *chuckles*
Jax: Ugh, God... I'm on it! *to Pomni* Later, Pomni. *he walks away.*

Cracking Under the Pressure
Night has now fallen. Gangle exits through the back, takes her comedy mask off to reveal her tragedy mask, covers her mouth with her hands, and lets out a muffled shriek. She then notices Pomni, who was taking out the trash, staring at her in surprise.
Pomni: You, uh... You good?
Gangle: My comedy mask is usually broken by now... *She leans against the wall, slides down, and curls into a fetal position.*
Pomni: *to herself* We're doing another one of these. *to Gangle* Um, is the mask not making you happy? *No response. Pomni sits down next to her.* Do you have anybody to talk to? Like, in regards to... your issues. I'm sure... Ragatha would like to help you out.
Gangle: Heh. Oh, Ragatha... I love her, but… after a while, it gets kind of hard to tell how genuine she's actually being.
Pomni: ...Well, maybe-
Gangle stands up and puts her comedy mask back on.
Gangle: *affected perkiness* Aaaanyway, we can't spend all night out here talking about our feelings! We've got work to do!
Gangle laughs weakly as she goes back inside, leaving Pomni alone.
Clocking Out

Jax is standing grumpily, waiting for the clock to reach his time to clock out, then it does
Jax: Alright, I'm clocking out! This wasn't fun at all, see you all later.
Jax throws his hat and it makes a clatter sound when it hits the ground. Gangle, fraught with melancholy, silently watches Jax exit Spudsy's. Jax goes to his car, which bears the license plate "JAX.001". He goes into his car and lets out a groan before dropping his head onto the steering wheel
Back into Spudsy's, Gangle gloomily stands in her dark office before Zooble shows up
Zooble: You know, when Ragatha gets off, I feel like she might need a designated driver.
Gangle: *turning to Zooble* Why are you asking me? I'm closing tonight.
Zooble: Oh, no, I meant I drive her home.
Gangle: Oh. I think she gets off in an hour?
Zooble: Okay. I can stick around until then.
A montage plays out of Gangle silently and forlornly standing in her office doorway as Zooble and Ragatha clean up the place and put all the shelves and food holders away. Before it ends, Zooble picks up Ragatha and helps her outside of the building.

Closing Spudsy's Doors
In the darkness, Gangle stands in her office doorway as miserably as ever. As she slowly strolls towards the exit, an abrasive drone permeates the ambience, only ceasing with the sound of Pomni's voice.
Pomni: Hey. You know... I can close for you, if you want.
Gangle: Huh?
Pomni: If you want to get out of here, you can. You don't have to be stuck here alone. I can handle closing.
Gangle: Would that... be okay?
Pomni: I think so. You should go home and get some rest.
Gangle turns around and walks back to the clock out cards rack, grabbing her card and placing it into the left pocket. Gangle walks to the exit before turning back to Pomni. Pomni gave a thumbs up to approve she can leave. The bell jingling as Gangle left
Pomni: What a weird day.
Gangle stands, staring into the night sky before grabbing her mask and

throwing it to the air. She began barely smiling and ran, the motion being slowed down as dramatic, hopeful music plays.
Music slows as Gangle reached into a spotlight of a street light. She spins around before falling into oncoming traffic
Caine's Review on Gangle's Performance
Gangle gets spawned into an office while being on an office chair
Caine: Alrighty, let's get this performance review out of the way! *Caine spawns a picture of Gangle* Overall, pretty productive. Made a lot of sales with few customer complaints. Couldn't help but notice, however, that you seem to have cut your own shift short, went a little kooky, and ran out into oncoming traffic. Now, being in a position of power like this, you coooooould offload the blame to one of your employees and avoid the dock on your score. What do you think?
Gangle: No, that was my responsibility. I just... Cracked under the pressure, I suppose.
Caine: Hmm. Well, that's gonna knock your overall score down to... a B-plus! How's that sound?
Gangle stays silent.
Caine: Speechless. I can't say I blame you. *Caine turns around* Not every executive is as forgiving as me.
Caine places Gangle's picture with the caption 'B+', the same score with the others except for Kinger; his score being A+. He turns back to Gangle.
Caine: And that's it for the reviews. You have yourself a nice day!
Gangle gets off the chair, walking to leave the office
Caine: I am such a good bo-- *glitches into various poses*

Back in the Circus Tent
The group is back in the tent with Gangle excluded out until Zooble comes up to her
Zooble: Hey, what are you all the way out here for?
Gangle: *sniffles* I messed everything up. The mask didn't work. *sniffles* And now, I don't think anybody wants to talk to me anymore...
Zooble: I still like talking to you. Look, the new mask was a bust. So, what? I'm sure we'll find something that works eventually.
Gangle: *sniffles and chuckles softly* I don't deserve a friend like you.

Zooble: *chuckles* Well, you've got one. Now, come on over and hang out with the rest of us. Bring your art, too. I always like seeing what you draw.

Wet Returns

Cheerful music plays as Zooble reads a magazine titled "What do your parts say about you?" inside of the tent. A portal opens and the rest of the cast steps through, dripping wet and covered with seaweed, as Caine greets them

Caine: Welcome back, my candy hearts and paper flowers!

The portal closes as Pomni falls to the ground, sick

Ragatha: Well, that sure could have gone better. But I'm sure the next adventure would be less… uh, wet.

Pomni doesn't reply.

Kinger: Hey, Ragatha? Can you help me count my eggs before they hatch?

Ragatha: Oh, yeah, of course! Uh, wait, what?

Ragatha leaves with Kinger. Jax returns to talk to Pomni

Jax: Looks like that oh-so-positive Ragatha charm is starting to wear off, huh?

Pomni groans as she looks across the tent. A mannequin hides behind a big block, which catches her attention. The scene switches from Pomni's confused expression to Caine and Zooble conversing

Caine: Hmm. Hmm… *Caine flips across multiple sketches of bees*

Zooble: Looks like this one was a home run, eh?

Caine: Oh, Zooble, you mismatched cash-piano. I'll *Caine's body expands and configures in anger...* TEAR YOU TO PIECES- *...then suddenly transforms back to normal* Constructive criticism would be greatly appreciated!

Zooble: But never acknowledged.

Caine: *Growls, yelling* That's it! Everybody besides Zooble, get over here!

Caine's Ideas

Caine snaps his fingers, quickly transporting the cast to the couches with mystical shimmering

Caine: Everyone, I'm going to pitch to you some future adventure

ideas, and I'm going to ask you to give me your honest opinions on them.

Jax: I was gonna sleep.

Caine: *Holds a notepad by using a hand while the other hand is on the hip* Alright! So I've got an adventure where you all tour my *holding a notepad by using a hand while the other hand is out while there is two butterflies flying* amazing chocolate factory, *two eyes darting left and right* and get killed off one by one from OSHA violations, *looks at notepad* one where *a heart above Caine* a sentient cardiovascular system goes to war against the United States *grabs the heart then throws the heart by using a hand* military, and one where you have to survive in a post-apocalyptic nuclear wasteland *pulls top hat then launches a part of the top hat then withdraws a part of the top hat back* with a *two hands on Caine's two eyes* telepathic talking dog who's mean to you the whole time! *two arms out while two hands are fists* What do you think?

The room fills with silence as Gangle's comedy mask breaks by itself, due to the badness of the ideas. Not even Jax was impressed. Ragatha puts down a carton of eggs on a table

Ragatha: Uh, I don't know. They all sound a little… uh, dark?

Caine: I can't tell a compelling story where nothing bad happens! Where's the intrigue? The stakes?

Bubble: Not to mention the sssssex appeal!

Caine: *confused* What are you talking about?

Zooble: You know, you could always try the suggestion box again. I honestly didn't hate the last one we did with it.

Caine: *Growing in anger* You!… *calmly* didn't hate it?

Zooble: It was kind of refreshing doing something grounded in reality.

Pomni: Yeah, I… really didn't mind… that one, either.

Caine: Uh, what about the rest of you?

The characters overlap in chatter

Ragatha: Oh, I'd really rather not think back on, uh…the state I was in at the time. I Apparently, said some things I would normally never say...

Gangle: Uh, I don't…really think it brought out the best in me. Even if it was mostly because of my mask at the time. *taps her ribbon hands*

together
Jax: I very much did not enjoy that one in the slightest, and if we ever do anything even close to that again, I'm getting violent and I'm going to *chatter settles* kill Ragatha.
Gangle and Ragatha look at Jax confused
Caine: Well, how am I gonna please everybody if you all like different things?!
Zooble: Maybe just keep your adventures open at all times and let us do whatever we want, when we want.
Caine: *Eyes hovering closely to Bubble* Are you hearing this, Bubble? The toybox character wants us to leave the other intelligent AIs to run for a prolonged period of time.
Bubble: Disgusting!
Zooble: Am I not supposed to be hearing you?
Caine: Zippy!
Caine zips a part of Zooble's face with a zipper, despite Zooble not having a mouth
Zooble: What did you even zip up? I don't have a mouth.
Caine: Okay, well, how about this?

Lightning Round Begins
Caine transitions himself to the curtains.
Caine: We'll do a LIGHTNING ROUND, going through all the suggestions in the suggestion box in rapid succession! And if you don't like one, you can all vote to skip it!
Pomni: What? Like, now?
Caine: *swings two sleeved arms left* That's right! So, *spins two arms then grabs a sleeved arm by using a hand then a white bone appears* grab your bones and pop your pansies, 'cause here we go!
Caine creates a large orange portal, pulling the cast in
Pomni: Wait, didn't we just finish an adventure?!
Jax: I was gonna sleep!
Poacher's Paradise
Dramatic music plays, introducing the new adventure
Jax: Oh, wait, I know what this is!
Zooble: Oh, I swear to God, if this is one of your suggestions…

Jax enters the scene wearing a poacher's outfit
Jax: Hi, everyone! In today's episode of "Poach Everything", I'm going to be hunting the critically endangered red ribbon rhinoceros.
Jax looks back at a rhinoceros made of red ribbons and a face similar to Gangle's.
Jax: Ahh, just like Mom used to make.
Jax points his gun at the rhinoceros, shooting it. The rhinoceros dies when a cheerful musical sting plays and text on screen reads "NICE SHOT!". Jax chases the rhino like a rabid dog, tearing the ribbon apart with his mouth. Zooble watches afraid in the shape of a flamingo
Zooble: Oh, my God.
Jax: Ahh, delicious meat! One down, four to go!
Zooble: Alright, I'm calling a vote. Let's skip this one... and also make Jax a vegan for the rest of the day.
Jax: You can't do that.
The vote has been called, when everybody excluding Jax agrees to the vote. The vote ends when a 2-dimensional leaf appears over Jax's head, signifying his new vegan diet
Jax: What do you mean you can do that?!
Caine: Sorry, Jax! Democracy has spoken.
Jax: Democracy sucks!
A purple portal opens transitioning the cast to the new adventure

President Pomni
The scene opens with an outside shot of the White House as patriotic music plays
Pomni: Wait, what? Why me?
Jax: Eh, I thought a position of power suited you.
Zooble: Oh my god, are these all gonna be Jax's ideas?!
The scene shows Pomni at the president's desk in the Oval Office, with Ragatha and Zooble as security guards
Kinger: Well, Ms. President, it looks like there are some new developments in the ongoing war between Australia and New Zealand. We may need to take in some refugees. What do you think?
Pomni: Wh- how do you know what to do? What?
Kinger: Didn't you get the brief?

Pomni: I am... just being here.
Ragatha: You're doing great, Pomni!
Kinger: *Under Pomni's desk* Come down here for a sec. *Pulls Pomni in. Under the desk, Kinger turns on a lamp shaped as a baby's head. Kinger whispers, pointing to a brief* We all got briefs on our characters. I'm your assistant!
Pomni: I-is that a baby-head lamp?
Kinger: Didn't you get one too? I figured we were all on the same page here. But, if not, you're gonna have to tap into those golden improv skills.
Pomni: *Still looking at the lamp* I'm sorry, what?
Jax: Oh yeah! I didn't give you one 'cause I wanted to see what you'd do!
Pomni: *angrily* Thanks, Jax. Appreciate it...
Kinger: I'm not Jax.
Zooble is relaxing against the door of the president's office, when Jax in a Steve Irwin-esque outfit barges in, smushing Zooble on the wall and breaking them to pieces
Jax: *Australian accent, holding a briefcase* Oi, mate! I'm an Australian extremist, and I've come to detonate this bomb that'll release all the world's deadliest spiders into...
Zooble closes the door, looking at Jax angrily. Jax looks at Pomni who was with Kinger under the desk
Jax: *Looking at camera, with his normal accent* Did I pick a bad time?
Canned laughter plays when the scene zooms out revealing Caine and Bubble watching the adventure through a TV
Caine: His acting is phenomenal. It's hard to believe he's vegan.
Bubble nods. Cut back to the Oval Office, where Pomni is holding a pair of pliers looking at the wires of the bomb as tense music plays. The only wire colors are red, blue and green
Pomni: Why wouldn't the president have a bomb squad?!
Ragatha: Don't worry, President Pomni! I believe you can do this!
Jax: There's centipedes in there too.
Ragatha: *Afraid* Just... be sure you know what you're doing!
Pomni: Okay, well, which wire do I cut?

Jax: Follow your heart.
Pomni: You stay out of this! Shouldn't you be arrested... or something?
Jax: Hey, I'm on your side here.
Pomni: You're literally not!
Jax: C'mon, just pick your favorite color.
Pomni: Like... the red one?
Kinger: I'd personally go with blue. Blue's my favorite color, it being closest to black, and all.
Pomni: ...Wouldn't black be your favorite color then?
Kinger: Well, no. There's no black wire.
Gangle barges through the door with a bomb strapped to her chest, still holding the door open with her leg
Gangle: Hi! I'm a New Zealand extremist, and... I... don't know what New Zealanders threaten people with...
The bomb ticks down until it blows up, stopping on a freeze frame stating "We'll be right back after these messages." while a calm melody plays.

Bubble's Message
Bubble comes to the center of the screen. Once he does so, he opens his mouth speaking a distorted feedback flare. He then leaves the screen when the next adventure begins
アメイジング デジタル サーカス 高校
The adventure begins with pop music with Japanese lyrics. The title reveals "アメイジング　デジタル　サーカス　高校" meaning "Amazing Digital Circus High School" in English *when the cast is revealed to be sitting in a high school classroom in anime style art with all but Pomni, Gangle, Zooble, Ragatha and Jax as classmates, and Kinger as a teacher*
Jax: What is this? I don't like this.
Zooble: *Sighs* Can it. At least we finally have one that's by someone else.
Jax: *Sarcastically* Yeah, there's nothing more fun than being back in school.
Ragatha: Just give it a chance, Jax. Jeez!
Zooble: *Directed at Gangle* There's nothing wrong with your suggestion.
Gangle: *Stops doodling, embarrassed* Wh-?! H-How did you know this was my suggestion?!

Jax: Can you believe this, Pomni? First she draws anime, now she drags us all into one. *Scoffs* She must be one of them, uhh... losers.
Pomni: ...You threw me out of a moving truck.
On Kinger's chalkboard, there is writing which reads "キンガー" which means "Kinger" written in Katakana, a Japanese script used for foreign words and names
Kinger: Alright, class. Today we're gonna learn the popular foreign language known as... *Writes 英語, literally meaning "English" in English* English?
Jax: This is boring. I vote we skip it.
Zooble: Shut up, we're not skipping it!
Jax: Slice-of-life animes are the worst ones. It's embarrassing! *Looks at Gangle and gets an idea, Chuckles* I mean, I guess it's not as embarrassing as that time Gangle took an anime figure and-
Gangle: *Embarrassed, holding onto camera* Actually, yeah! We can skip it, that's fine! Let's skip this one!
Camera shuts off

Stargazing
Mellow celestial music plays as the adventure opens outside the tent in the grounds, and insects chirp softly. Camera pans down to reveal Pomni amazed
Pomni: Are we just... chilling for this one? Can I finally relax?
Jax: Uh, I guess so. But, uh, I prefer a little bite to my adventures.
Kinger: *Bites on his sandwich, speaks with mouth full* Then why don't you help yourself to a sangwidge?
Zooble: *Handing a plate of sandwiches to Gangle* Here.
Gangle: Thanks.
Jax: *To Pomni* Do you think Gangle is actually capable of being happy?
Pomni: What?
Jax: I dunno. Like, her comedy mask still breaks every day. Does she think hanging out with Zooble is gonna magically fix that?
Ragatha: Maybe she just doesn't wanna hang out with someone who's mean to her all the time.
Jax: She likes when I'm mean to her, though!
Pomni: I didn't think you cared about what other people like.

Jax: That- *Scoffs* I just... No yeah, y-you're right. I don't.
Pomni: Do you have any... actual friends?
Ragatha: *To Pomni, quietly* Not anymore.
Jax perks up in anger, staring at Ragatha
Ragatha: Oh- oh. Oh, wait, no! Uh, I'm- I'm sorry. I- I wasn't talking about- That- that wasn't meant to be- Uh- uh... Hey, Kinger! *Laughs awkwardly* Did you see the fireflies all the way over there?
Kinger: *Gasps* WHERE?!
Pomni: What was that about?
Jax: It's... nothing. Who cares? *Sighs* Doesn't she get on your nerves sometimes?
Pomni: I mean, she's nice to everyone.
Jax: *Sighs* I don't know, I just- I think she tries way too hard. Like, we're stuck in- Why are you always pretending everything's always fine? Like, if you tell someone they're loved and appreciated every day, it just... kind of loses all meaning. *Inhales deeply and sighs* It just feels like she's trying to take advantage of you, you know? I don't know. *Calmer tone* Also, she's dumb and she looks weird!
Pomni: Eh, I think we all look weird.
Jax: *Scoffs* Excuse you. This is what peak male performance looks like. My ears and tail are kind of the pinnacle of masculinity.
Pomni: ...You don't have a tail.
Jax: What are you talking about? Yes, I do. It's... *Jax looks back and realizes he doesn't have a tail* It... What the?! Where's my tail?! How long have I not had my tail?
Pomni: *Laughing* I have never seen you with a tail.
Jax: When would that have even... *Stammers*
Caine is looking from above, flying
Moon: They look happy.
Caine: They do, don't they?
Moon: You think after this, maybe we could-
Caine: WAIT A MINUTE! Th -- that's a bad thing!
Bubble: Explain to daddy Bubble how bad thing?
Caine: I-I think that... don't say that... I-I think they're enjoying the suggestion box adventures more than the ME adventures! What should

I do?!
Bubble: You should die- You should throw a f ing beach party!
Caine: Why do you swear now?! Ugh, forget it! Let's go to an intermission! *Snaps fingers*

Intermission
The scene begins with a tape rewinding, from the current time to the first episode. Cut to black before white text reveals "INTERMISSION TIME"
???: Intermission time.
A record scratches and the text is distorted. Trippy music plays
Caine: 🎶Welcome! *record scratch*🎶
The cast's heads appear outlined: Caine, Bubble, Pomni, Jax, Ragatha, Gangle, Kinger, and Zooble
Caine: 🎶Welcome! To the- *record scratch* Digita- *record scratch* Digital Circus!🎶
Caine's full body appears, then only his head and arm remain. His eyeball distorts into a figure kicking his other eyeball, which falls offscreen. Bubble flies in with his tongue out as dentures surround him
Caine: 🎶Digital- *record scratch* Digital- Digital- *record scratch* Cir-! *record scratch* Cir-Cir-Cir-Circus!🎶
Dentures chomp repeatedly, looping with more teeth appearing. They finally land in Caine's hand, which itself loops with a larger Caine holding a smaller Caine as the camera pans out. The loop ends as the final Caine sets them down and flies into a white dot
The white dot expands into a white line with Pomni's silhouette, confused before the white closes in on her
The white screen fills with black dots that periodically invert colors with the background. At one inversion, the dots morph into two eyeballs and Bubble close together. Another swap transforms these shapes into dots on a die. The die flips to show the "one" side as the camera zooms in. The background becomes a blue wormhole-like void, into which Jax, Zooble, and Gangle fall
The camera zooms out of the void as a bright flash fills the screen, transitioning to Caine surrounded by eyeballs, separated by a light from an otherwise black void. The music shifts to angelic tones. The camera circles Caine, revealing his front as he points at the camera and then upward.

Bright flashing colors fill the screen, transitioning to Pomni, Jax, and Gangle standing on a checkerboard floor as the music shifts back to trippy
Two bowling balls appear above Pomni and Jax's heads, crushing them while a cake hovers over Gangle's head. The camera pans right to Ragatha and Kinger next to Gangle, with cakes over Ragatha and Gangle but a bowling ball over Kinger. The cakes crush Ragatha and Gangle, leaving Kinger alone. Kinger holds the bowling ball, which disappears into his hand, turning the black void white. The camera zooms out to reveal more checkerboard pattern and a rook moving to crush Kinger as the void shifts back to black
The camera pans into the void and Pomni's head is revealed next to Bubble, when Bubble immediately readies to bite Pomni's head. Two gloves crush Pomni's head and Bubble, which are revealed to be Caine's gloves. Caine opens his gloves again revealing the cast together holding hands
Bubble's teeth chomp down on Caine, transitioning him to a black void with red spots trailing down. The scene is immediately changed to a black background with Caine's white gloves having a black and white outline
Caine: 🎶 *record scratch* My name is Caine! *record scratch* I'm- *record scratch* show you- *record scratch* stopping, mind-bending-bending paraphernalia you've ever- *record scratch* eyes- *record scratch* upon! 🎶
Caine's gloves point up before multiplying and hovering over each other. The hands make multiple gestures and continue to multiply before forming long parallel lines of hands in which the camera zooms into, rapidly zooming into the hole of a top-hat
The inside of the top-hat cuts to an empty white room, where Pomni, Jax and Zooble stay bored for multiple shots
The scene cuts to rows of mannequin NPCs dancing, with the rows increasing rapidly
The scene cuts yet again to Caine on a checkerboard floor, looking up to the camera spinning toward him in a spiral
Caine snaps his fingers before showing Jax running down a hallway of rooms with the outside of the hallway covered with eyes resembling the ones of abstracted members. The rooms in the hallways include Kaufmo, a mannequin and a frog character. Jax stops to look at the frog character's door

A record scratch ends the scene, along with the trippy music. Caine and Zooble are in an empty white void
Zooble: Caine, what are we doing right now?
Caine: We're intermission...ing!
Zooble: ...Why?
Caine stays stationary, not responding.
Zooble: Uh... hello?
Bubble: And now, back to the show!

The Bar
Jazz music plays in a bar as Zooble prepares drinks for Gangle and Pomni. Jax then walks into the bar
Jax: Gimme a whiskey sour. But hold the egg white, since I'm a vegan. Wha- I hate this! How is this even possible?! I thought Caine couldn't-
Jax stops himself.
Zooble: I could have made it way worse for you.
Jax: Well, I'm calling a vote to turn Zooble into a slug!
The vote has been called, and everyone votes against Zooble being turned into a slug
Caine: Everyone voted against that!
Jax: UUUUUGH!!! No hate it...
Jax's drink gets served to him as Kinger and Ragatha enter the bar
Kinger: Phew! It's raining like the dickens out there.
Ragatha: Hey, guys!
Ragatha and Kinger sit next to Gangle and Jax respectively
Ragatha: I'll have... a cosmopolitan!
Kinger: Gimme a Corncob Blitz.
Zooble glances around, mildly confused
Zooble: I'll… throw something together.
Pomni: You know your way around alcohol, huh?
Zooble: Yeah. This was one of my suggestions. I worked at a bar briefly. I like making drinks.
Jax: *scoffs* That sounds fitting for you.
Zooble: I know there's an implication there, but I can't be f ed to figure it out.
Jax: So, Pomni. You ever have any jobs, or are you too young for that?

Pomni: *annoyed* I'm 25 years old. And yeah, I was an accountant for a-a supermarket chain.
Jax: A supermarket? How'd you end up here?
Pomni: Well I… sometimes got bored of things… and I would seek out mild thrills. Like exploring abandoned buildings, you know? And posting videos of it online.
Jax: Ah, a YouTuber!
Pomni: Not really. Nobody watched them. It was just something I did for me.
Zooble: I sometimes did that. I wouldn't record it, though. *They give Ragatha the cosmopolitan* Here's your cosmo.
Ragatha: Thanks. *drinks little cosmo*
Jax: Hiding something.
Zooble: You'd know all about that, wouldn't you? What's your story, then?
Jax: Ah, I thought you'd never ask. Well, after my lung cancer diagnosis, me and my junkie associate from a chemistry class I used to teach-
Zooble: Yeah, I figured. How about you, Gangle?
Jax: Hey, I wasn't done!
Zooble: If you're gonna make st up, at least be creative about it. I know what you're referencing.
Ragatha: Was that a reference to something?
Gangle: Uh… I worked in fast food.
Zooble: You've done more than that. What about your art?
Gangle: I was in community college for graphic design, but I dropped out. I didn't really pursue art much after that.
Zooble: Hey, I'm always down to make art together, if you want.
Ragatha: Oh, I didn't know you were an artist, too, Zooble!
Zooble: Uh, yeah. I was a tattoo artist for a couple years.
Jax: A bartender AND a tattoo artist? You're killin' me here, Zoobie!
Zooble: What do you mean when you say that? Do you have, like, an actual point? Or are you just talking?
Jax: I'm just having fun. I forgot you hate fun.
Zooble: Fun isn't the thing I hate.

Ragatha: ...I guess I'll go now. Oh, jeez, where to start? *Laughs nervously* Um, I was born into a fairly wealthy family. We had a large property with horses and chickens. And my mother... uh, well... my mother was... a lot. Uh, I worked in real estate for a bit until I ended up... here. I'm sure she doesn't miss me. I certainly don't miss the yelling... and the berating... and guilt-tripping. *Laughs nervously* And the... *Sees everyone staring at her, looks embarrassed and drinks cosmopolitan* Uh, yeah! *Laughs* Just kind of a farm girl. Nothing too out of the ordinary!
Jax: *Sadly looks into drink before instantly changing mood to happy* And, no point in asking Kinger, 'cause there's no way he remembers anything!
Kinger: Never better!
Pomni: ...Do you guys know about his wife?
Jax: Huh?
Kinger: MY WHAT?!
Zooble hands Kinger his Corncob Blitz. Jax flinches away, which Zooble notices
Kinger: Oh.
Jax scoffs when a mannequin wearing a cowboy hat enters the bar
Mannequin: He- *disappears*
Pomni: ...What?
Zooble: That's Disappearing Guy, that's just what he does.
Pomni: I see... from a previous adventure?
Jax: Yeah, God, Pomni! You didn't know that? *Looks smug at Zooble*
Zooble: I'm ignoring you.
Jax: By the way, Pomni, sorry about the whole president thing. I just thought it'd be funny.
Pomni: Uh, are- are- are you apologizing? What's happening?
Zooble: Just ignore him.
Pomni: Uh... apology accepted. I guess.
Jax: *Hugs Pomni* Wow, the first steps of a budding friendship! Right, Ragatha?
Ragatha shoots an immense stare at Jax
Ragatha: ...Uh, hey, Pomni! Remember when Kaufmo smashed me

against the walls and I got all jumbled up? Ah, all things considered, that was pretty funny, right?
Pomni: Nooo...? Not really.
Ragatha: Oh, yeah, yeah. No, sorry. That was... probably pretty traumatic for you.
Jax: Ooh! Remember when you got high at McDonald's and told Gangle to kill herself? *Chuckles* Now that was funny.
Ragatha: What?! I-I did not say that! I-I think. No. No, of course I didn't. I- And I am still so, so sorry about that, Gangle! *Gangle smiles at Ragatha* I would never have said anything like that if I didn't get that stupid... sauce in my eye!
Jax: Jeez, Raggy, just let yourself be mean sometimes. It's funny!
Zooble: *Sarcastically* Yeah. Constantly tormenting Gangle's really funny, Jax.
Jax: You guys all take this place way too seriously.
Zooble gives Jax the corn from Kinger's Corncob Blitz.
Jax: Wh- What is this? Why'd you do that?
Zooble squints at Jax
Jax: ...Can you get that thing away from me?
Zooble: Are you afraid of corn?
Jax: No? Who's afraid of corn?
Zooble nudges the corn closer to Jax, startling him out of his seat. Caine appears out of nowhere, without a grayscale tone
Caine: I'm bored! Let's go to the next adventure!
Zooble: Wha- You're not even a part of-!

Good Ol' Fashioned Softball
Upbeat music plays and shots from stadium with the title appears.
Caine: *Through microphone* It's softball, ladies and gentlemen!
Ragatha: O- Oh! We're doing this now?
Caine: Beautiful night for a game, right Bubble?
Bubble: BLEEEEH!
Caine: ...We've got the Big Tops playing against the Evil Big Tops!
An introduction for the doppelgangers plays
Evil Pomni: 'Sup, fers, *hands on hips* I'm evil Pomni.
Evil Ragatha: *cackles like a witch while one hand on hip while the other*

hand is on the chest I'm evil Ragatha!
Coach Dictatorer: *salutes by using one hand while other hand is a fist* Coach Dictatorer, here!
Evil Jax: *nervously* Uh, *waves* hi guys. *Taps fingers of two hands* I- I'm Evil Jax.
Evil Orbsman: Evil Orbsman, reporting for duty!
Bazooble: I'm Bazooble! Yibba-dooba-dabba-dooba-dubba-dubbi...
Ragatha: Well, that wasn't in my suggestion.
Gangle: Why don't I get an evil clone?
Caine: But first, let's welcome our special guest, here to sing the American national anthem!
The same mannequin from the bar enters the stadium's field and approaches the microphone
Disappearing Guy: 🎶 Oh, sa-🎶 *disappears again*
A round of applause is heard, but not from any of the mannequins in the audience, rather coming from a lone centipede clapping its legs
Ragatha yelps in shock after seeing the centipede and falls on her back
Kinger: Alright, team! I may not know what's going on, or who is going on, or when is going on, or why is going on! But I do know where is going on, and it's out on that field! So let's go break some tailbones, team!
Evil Jax walks up to the Big Tops
Evil Jax: *waves* H-hey, guys. *Hand on the other arm* I-I hope we all have a fun game, no matter who ends up winning...
Jax: I wanna kill that guy.
On the field, Bazooble is the pitcher, Evil Orbsman is the catcher, and Ragatha is lining up to hit the ball
Evil Ragatha: Well, hello, Stupidgatha! I hope you're ready to get completely annihilated! *cackles* Nobody loves you, and you're going to die someday! *cackles*
Ragatha: We can't exactly die. That's like... the whole thing here.
Bazooble pitches the ball, and Ragatha sends it flying with her bat before starting to run around the field
Evil Orbsman: What the frick?!
Cut to Evil Pomni lying on the field's grass with her eyes closed

Evil Pomni: Huh? *gets up* Oh, check this st out. *catches the ball* You're out, dumbs!
Ragatha: *Throws her hat on the ground* Dn it!
Jax: HA! Get owned!
Evil Pomni: F k yeah, that's what I'm sayin'!
In the background, Zooble is seen whispering to a giggling Gangle.
Jax: Ah, she's cool.
The "Vote Called" menu appears behind Jax
Jax: Wait, w-what's that?
The vote has been called, when everybody excluding Jax and Pomni agrees to the vote. The vote ends when Jax's uniform is swapped for a maid uniform
Jax: WHAT THE HECK?! WHO DID THIS?!?
Gangle is shown giggling at Jax's new uniform, but then stops when he walks up to her
Jax: *Red in the face, pointing his finger at Gangle* YOU!
Zooble: *as Gangle trips over them* Hey!
Jax chases after a screaming Gangle as he runs around Zooble until Kinger interrupts
Kinger: Jax, you're up to bat!
Jax: I can't, don't wanna... I-I-I— I look like THIS, though!!!
Zooble: Seems fitting for you, though. I figured you'd be into this.
Jax: What does that mean? What's that supposed to mean?!
Zooble: I'm just having fun. I forgot you hate fun.
Jax: I DON'T WANT TO WEAR THIS!!... *panting*
Zooble: I have never seen you this upset about something.
Kinger: JAX! BAT! *gives the softball bat to Jax*
Jax: *Directed at Zooble* ...I'm gonna kill you when this is over.
A furious Jax grabs the softball bat and walks onto the field, preparing for Bazooble to pitch the ball
Bazooble: *Hands on hips* Let's see what you're maid of!
Jax: *face flushed* Sh-SHUT UP!
Evil Jax: D-don't worry! *Taps fingers of hands then hands as fists* I think you look good!
Jax: I DON'T WANT TO HEAR THAT! *Points then gets arm down* I want

you DEAD!
Bazooble pitches the ball, which bounces off Jax's softball bat and gets caught by the centipede in the audience, who then eats it
Jax: *drops her bat* Well, guess there's no more ball, we're done.
Kinger: Wait, I got this! *pulls out one of his eyes* Hmm... *pulls out Zooble's ball-shaped eye*
Zooble: What- HEY!
Kinger: Sorry, Zooble, it's just the perfect regulation softball size! *chuckling* We're not playing baseball here.
Kinger throws Zooble's eye to Bazooble, who then sticks it on the side of their face
Jax: *sighs* I'm not doing this anymore.
Kinger: *As Jax leaves the field* Wait, Jax! What about where is going on?!
A sighing Ragatha sits down next to Pomni
Ragatha: I can't believe I hit it right to her, I'm supposed to be better than that. *sighs* Sorry, *sighs* I should be a better sport.
Pomni: Not to, like, agree with Jax or anything, but there's nothing wrong with showing your negative emotions, that's...pretty normal.
Ragatha: *sighs* I don't know... I don't want to be a jerk or anything.
Pomni: I think we all need to be a jerk sometimes.
Ragatha: Hmm, maybe... Who knows?
Pomni shifts her eyes to Jax talking with Evil Pomni on the field
Zooble: Caine! We need a ball here!
Caine is shown sleeping next to his commentator microphone
Caine: *wakes up* Wha-? Oh! *summons a ball that Zooble struggles to catch*
Zooble: Jax, we have a ball now! What are you doing?
Jax: Ugh. See ya. *Walks away from Evil Pomni and lines up to hit the ball*
Bazooble throws the ball and Jax misses the ball on purpose, letting Evil Orbsman catch it
Jax: *bored* Whoops, I missed.
Evil Orbsman throws the ball back to Bazooble, who throws it back, and Jax misses the ball again
Jax: *bored* Oh darn, I'm out. *drops his bat and walks away to sit down with Pomni*

Pomni: Having fun?
Jax: *sarcastically* Oh, you know it. *Pomni and Ragatha aren't convinced* Oh, look, Gangle's up to bat. How do you think this is gonna go?
Ragatha: Would you stop trying to force her to act like you?
Zooble sticks a corncob on the bench next to Jax
Jax: Oh yeah, I should force her to be happy all the time instead, right.
Ragatha: Well, it's better than turning her into some insensitive jerk who deflects everything!
Pomni: I can think for myself, guys.
Jax: Hey, I ain't forcing anything on ya.
Ragatha: And then you just act like you never do anything wrong and everybody loves you, when in reality, you just fk everything up for everyone else!
Pomni: Okay, let's, like, calm down a bit...
Ragatha: WHAT?! You're the one who said it's fine to be a jerk sometimes! *realizes her actions towards Pomni* UUUGH! I'm sorry, Pomni. That wasn't very cool of me.
Pomni: I-it's fine.
Jax: *mockingly* No apologies for me? This is so sad.
Ragatha: *sighs* I'm sorry, Jax. For...for bringing up that thing earlier.
Jax loses his smile and his eyes go wide open from Ragatha's remark as she leaves
Pomni: So... you wanna... talk... about that?
Jax: I'm in a maid outfit. What do you think?
Jax finally notices the corncob placed next to him by Zooble and jumps back in fear
Ragatha: *Sighs* So, how's the game going?
Kinger: Great! Gangle hit a home run!
Ragatha: Really?
Gangle: Yeah. Your instructions helped me a lot.
Ragatha: Ah. *Chuckles*
Zooble is on the field, getting ready to bat
Zooble: Can you give me my eye back?

Bazooble: Joke's on you! I've already forgotten what you're talking about!

Bazooble pitches the ball, Zooble hits it and knocks the ball back to Bazooble, who falls on the ground and loses Zooble's stolen eye

Caine: Wowie! Another home run!

Coach Dictatorer: GOD DN IT!!!

Zooble: What? Uh, okay? *drops their bat as Evil Orbsman stomps furiously*

Kinger: Nice going, Zooble! *Directed at Pomni* Alright, Pomni, you're up!

Pomni: Hey, Ragatha, you wanna bat for me instead?

Ragatha: Uh...oh! Uh, I guess I could, if you really don't want to.

Pomni: Think of it as a second chance to show 'em who's boss!

Ragatha: Huh...yeah.

Ragatha grabs a softball bat and goes on the field, only to see that Bazooble is knocked out and isn't trying to pitch the ball

Ragatha: Uh...

Caine: BAZOWIE-ZOWIWA! ANOTHER HOME RUN!

The scoreboard shows 2-57 for Home and Guest teams, then changes to 3-00

Caine: And that makes three home runs in a row, the Big Tops win!

Ragatha: Uh, that's... not how softball works.

Caine: Well, that's how my softball works. *In a little aggravated tone* We're done, hooray! *Caine claps his hands*

Evil Ragatha: NOOOOOOOOOOOOO!!! *melts*

Evil Pomni: Ugh, fk, man! We didn't even get to bat!

Ragatha sees Jax and Pomni talking to each other.

Kinger: *picks up Ragatha* You did it, Ragatha! We won!!

Ragatha: Uh… I mean, I guess. *laughs*

Gangle: Good job... whatever you did.

Zooble: Huh? Uh, oh yeah. Good job, team.

Jax's outfit goes back to normal

Jax: Huh? Oh, cool, I'm not a vegan anymore.

Jax runs off towards Evil Jax

Evil Jax: Oh hey! Wait, what are you-–

Jax bites and mauls Evil Jax as the latter screams
Kinger: WHY IS GOING ON?!
As Ragatha watches in shock, Pomni visibly chuckles to herself at Jax mauling his evil self. Ragatha looks at her, prompting Pomni to quickly stop. Ragatha's expression hardens with concern.

Back in the Circus Tent
The gang emerges from a portal back to the circus.
Caine: Well, I hope we all learned that suggestion box ideas are actually not fun at all, and Caine's ideas are much better!
Zooble: Well, some of them were pretty okay.
Pomni: I kinda liked the low-stakes ones.
Jax: I thought the first two were awesome. The rest - eh. *Directed at Pomni* Oh yeah, Pomni, I could show you that thing in the hall I was talking about.
Pomni: Uh, oh yeah, sure.
Pomni and Jax go to the hall while Kinger, Gangle and Zooble go the other way. Ragatha stares at them and leaves, sighing to herself.
Annoucement
Caine: Today's adventure is brought to you by the Favorite Character Awards! Stay tuned and find out who will claim the ultimate prize!
Glitzy orchestral music plays
Wild Zooble Sighting
Jax and Pomni are walking and chatting inaudibly when one of Zooble's pieces falls to the ground
Zooble: ! Can you toss that back up here?!
Zooble is hiding in a giant flower pot hanging from the ceiling
Jax: *scoffs* Makin' good use of your parts gimmick huh?
Zooble: Oh shut up.
Pomni: What are you doing up there?
Zooble: I'm hiding from Caine. I think I overheard him talking to Bubble about an in-house adventure and I'M not gonna be part of it.
Pomni: Aaand you're just gonna hang out in that flowerpot all day? Not, like, your room?
Zooble: Caine's been checking up on my room lately. When I don't answer he just starts singing Daisy Bell in front of my door. It's creepy.

Pomni: Does he really do that?
Jax: I dunno. Let's ask him! HEY CAINE!
Zooble: You ing hole!
Caine comes over, t-posing
Caine: Yes, Jax?
Jax: Look! It's Zooble!
Zooble: YOU!
Caine: Ah there you are! Now I don't have to do the snap-summon thing!
He then does the snap-summon thing, breaking the pot
Caine: And I'm glad I found you! We need even numbers, cause today's adventure is a TEAM adventure! Meet you guys up at the stage in, uh, let's say...five-point-seven minutes.
He disappears
Zooble: Great. Ya didn't even ask him about the singing thing.
Jax: The what?

Sporting Makes The Morning
The scene cuts to the rest of the cast walking up to the stage
Caine: Today's adventure is... gonna be a bit of a short one, due to the Favorite Character Awards. But it'll be a perfect opportunity to showcase your guys' strengths to the press!
Bubble pops in with a camera on top of him
Bubble: This is so heavy.
Caine: That's right, Bubble. Seeing you all play batball a few days ago really got me thinking. We should do our own sporting event! But with cool new sports invented by yours truly.
Bubble: Help me, Caine...
Ragatha: Uh, we could also just play softball normally this time.
Pomni groans. Caine pulls up a logo titled "The Caine Leagues"
Caine: In The Caine Leagues, we have the 400 Meter Vertical Skedaddle, Bisection Boogie Eggball, Lateral Hijinks, Orange Sport, Ball Run, Walk Ball, Run Walk, and Ball Ball! These sports are surely going to—
Zooble: Uh, yeah, sorry, no. I'm not gonna be on a team with that one.
Jax blows a kiss to Zooble in response

Caine: Zooble, why does all you do is complaining? I never know what you want!
Zooble: We had a whole suggestion box for that.
Pomni: Yeah, Zooble and I constantly say we like more chill and relaxing adventures.
Ragatha: Did you really not like my softball one?
Pomni: I'm not big into sports, sorry.
Caine: The suggestion box just causes interpersonal drama. And me no likey.
Zooble: Alright! You REALLY wanna know what I want?
Caine: Oh no.
Zooble: I want the ability to have sex! [note 1]
Jax gives an amused surprised look
Jax: No way. Are we FINALLY having this conversation?
Upon hearing this, Caine begins to stammer somewhat before convulsing and glitching like crazy. After a bit, he stops with a toaster dinging sound being heard
Caine: Oh. Hi, Zooble!
Zooble: *to Ragatha* Do you have any of that stupid sauce left?

Teamwork Makes The Dream Work
Caine: What were we talking about? Oh, yeah! How teamwork is essential to making the dream work!
Zooble: Tell that to him! He's the one that s everything all the time!
Jax: You are in a mood today, aren't you?
Caine: Now, now. You know what they say about assuming. It makes an "ass" out of "u" and "Ming".
Zooble: Ming?
Pomni: Did Caine just say ?
A blue mannequin wearing a cap with googly eyes walks towards the group.
Ming: Hi, I'm Ming. And I really don't appreciate what your assumptions have done to my reputation.
Zooble: You made a whole guy for that?
Caine: Whatever the case, it's evident now that there's quite a bit of tension between you all. So maybe what we actually need to do are

trust exercises.
Zooble: I'm not falling into Jax's arms if that's what you mean.
Caine: Don't worry, this will be a two-way trust exercise where you'll each have to trust each other to not betray the other person.
Caine summons a box with a door out of thin air, and turns his cane into a gun.
Caine: This is a private room where nobody can see or hear you once inside. And this... is a loaded gun!
Pomni: Oh boy.
An animated sequence of mannequins following Caine's instructions play on screen.
Caine: Character A will take the gun into the private room and empty it out of all its ammunition, then come out and give it to Character B! Character B will then take the gun, and shoot themselves in the head, trusting that Character A emptied it in the private room! Character A will also have to trust that Character B won't turn the gun on them! So everyone is incentivized to follow the rules and trust each other!
Zooble: Sounds a little... convoluted.
Caine grows in size, the screen turning a red hue.
Caine: YOU LOOK CONVOLUTED!!!
Caine returns to normal size and color, before handing the gun to Jax.
Caine: Anyway, Jax, why don't YOU start?
Zooble: Wh—HIM!?
Jax: Wait, what am I doing? I wasn't paying attention—
Caine shoves Zooble out of the way, his eyes glowing white as he grabs Jax's head, his eyes also glowing white. The animation from before plays multiple times with sped up audio, before Caine lets go of Jax's head, giving him swirling pupils as he shakes his dizziness away.
Jax: *Clicks tongue* Oh.
Jax looks down at the gun... and shoots Ragatha in the face.
Caine: Or—yeah, we could all just shoot each other.
Caine summons a pile of guns by snapping his finger.
Caine: *dejectedly* Here, have guns. I don't care anymore.

...Nevermind They Get Guns Now
Gangle, Pomni, and Kinger approach the pile, before Jax comes out from

up the pile.
Jax: Hooway!
Jax picks up a gun, grinning slyly while his tail wags
Zooble: Wait, that's just it? "Here's guns and have fun"?
Caine: I didn't say "have fun"…
Zooble: It's—Just a little aimless..
Caine's face is stretched widely.
Caine: Use the sights.
Zooble: Caine!
Caine growls a bit, before turning back and crossing his arms angrily.
Caine: Grrr, FINE! We're bringing teams back. Pair up in teams of two, you all get three lives, last team surviving is the winner. Happy?
Caine crosses his arms angrily.
Zooble: Um... Not really..
Caine: Well, that's not my problem right now! I have an awards show to plan so you guys are gonna have to handle yourselves for a bit. You get five minutes to figure the teams out, once that's up, it's a free-for-all.
Caine snaps his fingers again, a giant clock timer counting down from 5:00 hovers over the Digital Circus crew and the guns.
Jax: Come on, saddy. You're coming with me.
Gangle: *Gasps* I'm... actually gonna be on a team with Zooble.
Jax: What? No, you're not. *Jax removes Gangle's comedy mask and holds it in the air as Gangle tries to reach it.* We've been together for every team adventure in the past.
Zooble: *Zooble takes the comedy mask.* Guess times are changing, bunny boy. *Zooble gives back Gangle's mask as Jax grumbles.*
Camera pans to Pomni and Ragatha, with Pomni waving at the other.
Pomni: Hey, you wanna be on my team?
Ragatha: Uh, oh, I-I'd love to, but—Well, uh, I really don't want Kinger to get stuck with Jax.
Pomni: Oh, yeah. Well, I-I could be on Kinger's team. He and I were together once, and it wasn't too bad.
Ragatha: U-Uh... Hmm. And have... me on...
Camera briefly cuts to Jax, who gives his gun a swing.

Pomni: Oh. Um. Y-Yeah, just forget I asked. I'll be on Jax's team.
Pomni heads towards Jax. Ragatha looks uneasy.
Ragatha: W-Wait!
Pomni: *Stops in her tracks* Huh?
Ragatha stammers, unable to get a word out. Camera cuts to Pomni, who interjects.
Pomni: Like you said, probably good to keep Kinger and Jax separate. I can keep Jax in check, so don't worry about me.
Pomni starts walking away again, only to be stopped by Ragatha.
Ragatha: U-Uh, hey, Pomni? I—if... If you ever need to talk to somebody, o-or need help with anything, I'm here.
Pomni gives a weak laugh and an awkward thumbs-up before walking off. Camera cuts to Ragatha and Kinger, who is now standing next to her. Ragatha, startled, yelps, which causes Kinger to do so too. The camera then pans to Jax, who's hunched over slightly and aiming his gun at something, while Pomni approaches him from behind.
Pomni: You have a partner yet?
Jax: *straightens his stance, slinging his gun on his shoulder* Well, look who it is. You sure you can handle me in all my glory?
Pomni: Eh, I've been through worse.
Gangle approaches Zooble almost cautiously, her comedy mask in hand.
Gangle: Hey, Zooble? Do you wanna hold onto this during today's game?
Zooble: Huh?
Gangle: I... don't really trust myself that much with it. And I also just... really want to be able to fire a tommy gun while laughing maniacally, and I don't—I don't want to break it before I get that chance.
Zooble: ...I'll keep it safe for you.
With that, Gangle and Zooble walks towards the rest of the group, who are staring down the pile of guns.
Dramatic music plays. The camera pans to each duo: Pomni and Jax, Kinger and Ragatha, and Gangle and Zooble. It then cuts to a countdown timer with five seconds remaining. It makes ticking sounds as it counts down to three, then the camera goes to Zooble, who's readying themselves, and Jax, who is now on his knees on the ground, propped up with his hand

and elbow. The camera zooms out with a birds-eye view of the cast, and the timer ticks to zero before disappearing along with the guns. Three hearts are displayed above each person, except Ragatha who only has two due to the previous face-shooting.

Ragatha: Huh? W-Wait, what? That counted?!

Zooble: Uh, Caine?

Zooble glances up towards the roof of the tent, where Caine is sitting on a beach chair hovering in the air with a large image of a clear blue sky above him. He sits up and looks at Zooble, lifting his sunglasses. Camera cuts to him.

Caine: What? Oh, y-yeah, *pops sunglasses back on* the guns have been teleported to random spots in the circus. Go find 'em, champs!

Gangle and Zooble stare at Caine for a bit.

Gangle: *shakes Zooble by the shoulders erratically* WE NEED TO FIND THE TOMMY GUN!!!

Gangle runs offscreen and drags Zooble along with her.

Ragatha: *frantic* Uh, wait, Caine? I-I-I'm missing a life!

Kinger: *pops onscreen, also frantic, to Ragatha* There's no time!

Kinger drags Ragatha away. Ragatha yelps. Camera cuts to Jax, who does a salute.

Jax: It'll be my pleasure murdering all of you!

Pomni follows behind Jax as he runs off. She stops briefly to speak.

Pomni: Uh, have fun, guys!

Pomni waves to the rest, before Jax peeks his head in with a snarky grin.

Jax: HAH! You're so lame! *grabs Pomni's shoulder and drags her away.*

And just like that, all three groups split into different areas of the circus. Meanwhile, Caine fishes out a few pictures from his back pocket, one of which shows the office Pomni found herself in back in The Pilot. Caine stares at it wordlessly.

Let The Games Begin

A large caption saying "LET THE GAMES BEGIN" appears on screen, and the camera pans down to Ragatha and Kinger, with a basic handgun ahead of them, spinning slightly as it hovers in a blue spawn ring. A faint shimmering sound is emitted from it.

Kinger: *picks up the gun* Ah-hah! Ya little devil. Alright. *Holds his hands*

to where his mouth would be in thought, the gun facing to the sky Now, I would bet our biggest concerns would be Jax and Zooble. They're the youngest, so they probably still have some youthful fighting spirit.

Camera cuts to Ragatha, who's looking at her hearts dispiritedly.

Ragatha: *sighs* Man. I'm still missing a heart. This isn't fair.

Kinger: Huh? *pockets the gun* Oh, I've got just the thing!

Kinger smacks his hands together, summoning what appears to be an orange monarch butterfly, which shimmers gently.

Kinger: Here, take this.

Ragatha pokes the butterfly, which disappears with a high chime, in turn restoring the heart she lost.

Ragatha: W-W-Wait, what did you just do? What was that?

Kinger: It's a butterfly! It can restore your health.

Ragatha: Did... Caine mention that?

Kinger: Oh, nah. *shrugs* I made it up.

Kinger walks away.

Ragatha: Uh... what?

Camera cuts to Jax and Pomni, who are in the hallway with everyone's rooms. Two jump-cuts ensue; first with Jax opening the door to an unoccupied room and Pomni checking inside a cube, then the second with Jax peering behind another cube closer to the camera, fishing a gun from in front of it, while Pomni searches in a stack of three cubes. Jax leans against the cube, twirling the gun around his trigger finger before aiming it at something. The camera zooms in on the gun momentarily, then pans to Jax's face.

Jax: So, who you gonna kill first, Pompom?

Pomni: Uh, I-I don't know if I'll really be doing much of the killing. I-I'll just find guns for you, and you can do all the violent stuff.

Zoom out so both Jax and Pomni are in frame, Jax still holding out his gun.

Pomni: You like that, right?

Camera zooms back in.

Jax: You know none of this is real, right?

Pomni: *stammers* What do you mean? Like, the circus?

Jax shoves the gun into Pomni's hands.

Jax: The game today is literally to shoot each other, so what's the point in taking this moral high ground?

Jax points towards a separate cube with three metal tins placed in a row.

Pomni: Well, they're my friends. I don't really want to hurt them.

Pomni aims the gun at the tins and shoots, only lightly striking the tin on the left. It stays upright.

Jax: Alright, let me be real here. Why do you care about that?

Pomni: *uncertain, eyes shifting* Uh, about not hurting my friends?

Jax takes the gun from her by the barrel.

Jax: *sighs* Look, I know what it's like. *Tosses the gun from one hand to the other* One day, you're somebody in the real world doing important things. And then the next, you're just a weird little cartoon...jester. You want to hold onto that part of you that still thinks it's part of that world, but in the end, what does it get you? *Points at Ragatha's door which is behind him with his thumb* Ragatha tries to be all nice and friendly, but she gets torn up every other adventure.

Cuts to Pomni briefly, who lets out a little breath.

Jax: Whether we like it or not, *throws his arms in the air, his left hand twirling the gun again, before firing it at a tin and hitting it perfectly* all we are now is a bunch of cartoon characters. So what's the point of pretending we're not?

Jax tosses the gun to Pomni, who catches it clumsily.

Pomni: *walks towards Jax, who's standing in front of his door* We're still people though, right?

Jax: I thought we were at first, but as time goes on, we just end up falling into our archetypes.

Jax takes a few steps forward, off-screen before the camera cuts to him.

Jax: Become part of the machine.

Pomni: What's your archetype, then? The villain?

Jax: *scoffs, turning to face Pomni. he points to himself* Listen, I add a key dynamic. I see how far I can push things, *shoves Pomni* I screw with people, *toys with Pomni's hat tails* and I break the fourth wall. *stares and points at the camera* You wanna know why? It's 'cause it's funny! *Ducks down to Pomni's level, then straightens up and flails his arms in the air* I do everything 'cause it's funny! 'Cause I'm the funny one!

Pomni: The 'funny one'?
Jax: Yeah! *He imitates each character as he's talking* Ragatha's the cheerful one, *swings his arms around breezily* Gangle's the sad one, *hunches over with his hands held in front of him and his ears lowered* Kinger's the crazy one, *thrashes his arms around, eyes wide* Zooble's the grumpy one, *stills himself, leaned over slightly with an ear crumpled to mimic one of Zooble's parts; he points a middle finger* and you *normal* are the one who hasn't figured that out yet.
Jax jabs a finger into Pomni's forehead. Once he releases, her pupils go wide and she frowns, much like her icon on her door behind her.
Jax: We all just became archetypes. *arrogantly* I at least have the self-awareness to choose who I am. *gestures to his body with a wave of his hands*
Pomni: *deep in thought* The funny one.
Jax grabs her by the shoulders and brings her close.
Jax: So, who do you want to be? No better chance than now to try something new! You wanna go nuts? *moves Pomni in the direction of the previous cube with two remaining tins* You wanna finally work off those weeks of rage and anguish that have been buildin' up inside you?
Pomni aims the gun at the tins, her hands shaky.
Jax: I know you hate it here, everyone does. But the silver lining is you can pretty much do whatever you want! Like, look at the way you're aiming that gun. Too realistic. Just let loose! *Throws his arms in the air before lowering them.*
Pomni eyes the gun, hesitant. She takes in a deep breath and lets it out, then twirls the gun around her trigger finger and shoots it at the middle tin. It flies off the cube.
Pomni: Oh, what the heck. Today, I'm just gonna be evil. *Pupils shrink and teeth sharpen* How's that? *Teeth become normal again*
Jax: *stands up, pumps his fist* Heh, go for it!
Pomni: Yeah. Yeah! Those other fools better watch their tails, because they're going to face the wrath *teeth sharpen again* of Pomni the Evil!!
Pomni points the gun to the sky and starts scurrying across the screen. She laughs malevolently.
Jax: *half-scoffs, half-laughs* That's... kinda cringe.

Pomni shuts her mouth and stares at him blankly.

Double-Sided Ambush

The camera cuts to Kinger and Ragatha. Kinger peeks his head from behind a giant toy block, before disappearing behind it. Ragatha does the same following him, then appears from behind a barrel.

Ragatha: Uh, are we really gonna be shooting each other with these?

Kinger: It's either shoot or get sh—GAH!!!

Before Kinger can finish his sentence, he proceeds to get shot. He respawns with a lost life.

Kinger: Ragatha! There's a sniper around this corner.

The sniper is revealed to be Zooble.

Zooble: I think I got Kinger.

Gangle: Uh, are you sure we're safe up here?

Kinger fires at them, forcing Gangle and Zooble to retreat.

Gangle: Eee!

Zooble: Whoa!

Kinger: Tactical roll!

Kinger attempts to roll, getting behind cover.

Kinger: Come on, Ragatha!

Ragatha follows after him. Meanwhile Jax picks up his gun before he and Pomni hear gunfire.

Jax: Looks like we've located the king and the ragdoll.

Pomni: Uh, yeah.

Jax gives Pomni a stare.

Pomni: I mean, yeah! Let's get 'em!

With that, the two of them run towards the battlefield.

Ragatha: Uh, I don't even really know how to fire a gun. I don't know how much use I'd be in—

Ragatha's hands proceed to get shot off by Jax.

Jax: Whoops! Did I do that?

Pomni: You missed a spot!

Pomni shoots Ragatha in the head.

Jax: Hah! You're so cool!

Kinger: Ragatha, take cover!

Ragatha respawns, and runs off.

Jax: I'll take Rags, you go Kinger.
Pomni: Righty-o, evil bro!
Jax and Pomni then head in two separate directions.
Ragatha: I need a gun. Need a gun, need a gun!
Ragatha then sees a gun and picks it up. Jax then pops around the corner ready to shoot. Ragatha then tries to shoot her gun, only for it to be a decoy as the word "BANG!" on cloth pops out.
Ragatha: *Defeated* Come on, man.
Jax jumps up and shoots Ragatha in the head, knocking her down to one life. She respawns and runs behind a red curtain into a colorful corridor.
Ragatha: Kinger? Really use another one of those butterflies!
Jax pops up in front of Ragatha
Jax: Howdy, howdy.
Ragatha: Ah! I-I-I know exactly what you're doing with Pomni, and it'll never work!
Jax: ...Huh?
Ragatha: You know, getting close with Pomni... to corrupt her?
Jax just looks on in confusion before getting ready to shoot
Ragatha: Wait, no, no, no, no! Wait, wait, wait!
Ragatha puts her finger in the gun, causing it to shoot backwards and get Jax covered in gun powder. He loses a life and coughs out dust.
Ragatha: Oh wow, I didn't actually think that'd work.
Jax pulls out another gun and shoots Ragatha multiple times, making her the first person eliminated while Jax looks at her while breathing in anger. Meanwhile, Ragatha respawns in a dark area with a fish tank known as the Loser Corner
Ragatha: Huh? *Notices the banner saying "Loser Corner"* Oh.
Pomni finds Jax again.
Pomni: I lost Kinger, but I got him down to one life.
Jax: I lost a life, but I got us down to one Kinger.
Pomni: How'd you let her take a life off you?
Jax: I don't really know.

A Mix and a Mask
The scene cuts back to Gangle and Zooble, with Zooble giving Gangle an AK-47

Zooble: Hey I found this AK... thing. If we can't find the tommy gun, will this work?
Gangle: Uh, yeah. Do you... think... Jax... is gonna be mad that I didn't team up with him?
Zooble: I wouldn't worry about him right now. It's all just a game, in the end.
Gangle: It's Jax, though. He probably wants revenge. And he's gonna make it painful, and—
Zooble: Hey, you deserve better than thinking about him when he's not even here. You're a human. You're not his toy.
Gangle: It sometimes doesn't feel that way.
Zooble blinks in surprise, then looks sympathetic. They take out Gangle's comedy mask.
Zooble: These avatar gimmicks, huh? Makes you wonder why no else got them.
Gangle: I just wish that... *sighs* How are you supposed to like the part of yourself that just... makes you worse than everyone else?
Zooble: ...'Cause it exists. It's a part of you that's real, and the only "you" that you should care about is the real you. You have to choose to love yourself, even if it doesn't make sense. It's not natural. It's intentional.
Gangle: Have... you ever had to make that choice?
Zooble: Huh?
Gangle: S-Sorry. I mean... *laugh* Of course not. You're Zooble. *weak laugh*
Zooble looks on for a little bit before Gangle grabs their hand, Gangle then stands up.
Zooble: Whatever happens... I've got your back if you've got mine.
Gangle: Yeah. Now let's go kill Pomni and Jax.

Come At The King
The scene then cuts back to the aforementioned two walking together.
Pomni: Alright, here's one. What's with the corn thing?
Jax: *scoffs* What corn thing?
Pomni: Why are you afraid of corn? And don't say that you're not. You literally jumped out of your seat twice when you saw some.

Jax: Heh, not gonna let me out of this one. Well, I dunno. It's got a bunch of little pods on it. Looks kinda like an egg sack, or somethin'. It's gross. Makes my skin crawl.
Pomni: Interesting. Do you have, like, a... type of trypophobia?
Jax: What's that?
Pomni: The fear of lots of little holes.
Jax: *shuddering* Eugh.
Pomni: Okay. How about... pomegranates?
Jax: Awful.
Pomni: I'm learning a lot about you today.
Jax realizes something.
Jax: Heh, let's not forget we're here to kill people. We still need to figure out where nutso went before we can rest easy.
Kinger is shown to be inside a door way right next to them in plain view and Pomni flinches when she notices.
Kinger: I'm right behind you, aren't I?
Jax then turns as he and Pomni let loose. Kinger then retreats into the darkness as Jax and Pomni follow him. What then plays out is a shooting fight between the three of them, with shots firing in the dark. Kinger pulls out a lighter to reload his gun.
Pomni: There he is!
Kinger yelps as the fight continues. At one point, Jax accidentally shoots Pomni, removing a life from her
Jax: Whoop, sorry.
More shots continue to fire.
Kinger: I hope you guys are ready for my ricochet super move!
With that, Kinger fires a bullet, with it ricocheting off everything like crazy while more shots are heard fired. After a bit, the bullet finally hits something.
Jax: Oh, here's the light.
It's revealed the bullet hit Kinger, eliminating him.
Pomni: Huh.
Jax: High-five!
Pomni: Yeah!

Another Heart-to-Heart

Kinger is then taken to the Loser Corner.

Kinger: Ah, what a game. Who knew Pomni could be such a sharpshooter? These adventures, huh?

Kinger then sees Ragatha is in a saddened state.

Kinger: And look, even though we lost, at least we gave it our all, right?

Ragatha looks on in silence, as Kinger realizes how sad Ragatha really is.

Kinger: Um... you feeling alright?

Ragatha stays silent.

Kinger: Are you upset we lost?

Ragatha shakes her head.

Kinger: Or are you upset about something else?

Ragatha nods, visibly holding back tears.

Kinger: You wanna talk about it?

Ragatha: *sighs, voice cracking* I think... I might have failed Pomni. Just like I failed Jax. I try too hard to get on their good side, and then I just end up pushing them away. And then, they end up hating me...

Kinger: Well, I don't think anyone in here hates you.

Ragatha: *scoffs* Jax does! Gangle and Zooble don't ever talk to me, and... Pomni probably won't after today, either. *sighs* She came to me wanting to be on my team. I said no. *sighs* Why did I do that?

Kinger: Maybe you just needed a break. It sounds to me like you put a lot of pressure on yourself to be there for everyone, and when you're not, you beat yourself up for it. You said you failed Pomni. W-Why do you feel that way?

Ragatha: I don't know... I feel like every day, we're drifting further apart. Like she's seen through all my tricks and doesn't trust me anymore. Before I know it... she'll be a different person. One who doesn't even want me around.

Kinger: ...The way I see it, relationships are two sided, and sometimes, it doesn't make sense to do all the heavy lifting when the other isn't in the mood. We all go through and deal with things differently, and sometimes, you just need to let people do things their own way. As long as you're still there when they need you. Giving someone space should never be the same as giving up on them.

Ragatha stays silent for a second.
Ragatha: I don't even know what I want. I just want everyone to be happy. And I don't want people to hate me.
Kinger: Do you hate yourself?
Ragatha turns away, staying silent.
Kinger: I hated myself. I couldn't help but hate myself for the things I thought I was responsible for. I thought I'd lost everything. But then... you showed up. And my outlook just... changed. There are always ways to show you care without ruining yourself over it. You need to look out for yourself in all this, too.
Ragatha: I don't get it. So often, nothing you say makes any sense, but then you have these moments where you... *laughs* I don't know. How do you do that? How've you been around for so long?
Kinger: Heh. I guess I just have a resilient mind.
Bubble was then shown to be recording the whole thing.
Bubble: Breathtaking! The committee's gonna love that.
With that, Bubble flies off as Kinger and Ragatha look at each other.

A True Mask
The scene then cuts back to Gangle and Zooble running through tunnels.
Zooble: Are they still following us?
Gangle: Are you still following us?
Jax: Yeah, we're still following you!
Pomni: Where else would we be?
Gangle: They're still following us.
Zooble: Alright, this is a long one. We're gonna have to run. Let's go!
Jax and Pomni then turn the corner and start shooting at Gangle and Zooble. Zooble shoots back, but runs out of ammo. They and Gangle both take cover. Zooble then tries to switch to a different gun
Zooble: Ugh, we got so unlucky with the drops here.
Zooble then tries shooting again, but Gangle realizes she finally found the tommy gun. She slowly turns to Zooble.
Gangle: *whispering* It's time.
Zooble stops shooting, looking at Gangle in surprise.
Jax: Why'd you stop shooting? You out of ammo?
Zooble: Why'd you stop? You out of ammo?

Jax: Pomni, got any ammo left?
Pomni: Uh, I have one in the cylinder and one sniper round, but no sniper rifle.
Jax: *scoffs* Crap.
Gangle: *maniacal laughter.*
Gangle then comes out of hiding with the tommy gun, shooting wildly at Jax and Pomni while Zooble watches on in amazement, silently cheering her on. Gangle then breaks the tunnel, sending all four of them falling out, with Gangle surprised her comedy mask didn't break from the fall. Pomni then grabs the sniper rifle and reloads it while, Gangle picks up her tommy gun and they both fire at each other. Both stay still for a second until Gangle falls, her comedy mask breaking, but she wears a smile anyway, knowing she got what she wanted.
Zooble: t!

Daisy Bel- Oh God Zooble Has Four Guns
Gangle then gets teleported to the Loser Corner. Jax and Pomni then chase after Zooble, who locks themself in their room.
Jax: You're just gonna hide in your room?
Pomni: Coward!
Zooble searches for parts in their box, giving themself two extra arms. A pile of grenades is seen to the side.
Zooble: Huh.
Jax then taps Pomni's shoulder, getting an idea to flush Zooble out.
Jax: 🎶 Daisy, Daisy— 🎶
Jax & Pomni: 🎶 Give me your answer, do 🎶
Zooble: Are-Are you seriously gonna start singing that?!
The musical beats of Daisy Bell can be heard as they sing from here.
Jax & Pomni: 🎶 I'm half crazy, all for the love of you 🎶
Zooble checks another box and sees something. It's shown their room is full of guns.
Jax & Pomni: 🎶 It won't be a stylish marriage, Pomni has her eye closed and her other eye open. I can't afford a carriage, but you'll look sweet, They both spin around and hold each other's gloved hands. upon the seat, of a bicycle built for two 🎶
Jax: Oh wait, I have a key to Zooble's room!

Jax opens the door, only for Zooble to throw a flash grenade and start going wild on him and Pomni while a rousing rendition of Daisy Bell plays. After firing for a while, Zooble runs off, while it's shown Jax and Pomni still have one life left.

Jax: Ugh... ow.

Pomni: I can get 'em.

Jax: W-Wait!

Pomni: Trust me, partner! I got this!

Jax just sighs and slides over where 2 grenades are seen. He then looks at Kaufmo's door, and then at Ribbit's while he gains a trauma induced face. He then snaps out of it and goes after Pomni. Meanwhile, Pomni sees Zooble and twirls around her gun, firing off a bullet, with it knocking all the guns out of Zooble's hands.

Zooble: That's actual bullt. Ow!

Zooble is shot by another bullet and they're stared upon by Jax and Pomni.

Zooble: Well, , man. Guess that's the end of that. See you on the flipside.

Zooble pulls up four middle fingers, and then Jax and Pomni shoot them, sending them to the Loser Corner. There, they see Gangle and the others dressed as cats.

Zooble: What?

A Totally Normal Cartoon Fight

The scene then cuts to Jax and Pomni as the latter laughs in victory.

Pomni: We did it! We make such a good team!

Pomni hugs Jax, who smiles for a second, only for him to have a realization and push Pomni away. He then chuckles

Jax: Well, to be fair, our competition wasn't anything crazy.

Pomni: Eh, yeah, true.

Pomni then smirks and turns around with a determined look her face while Jax looks at his hand.

Pomni: Her eye looks rectangular shaped via the sclera in the middle while the eyelid on the top and bottom of the eye I suppose this is the part where one of us betrays the other.

Pomni then turns around with her gun pointed at Jax with a goofy smile.

Jax: Huh? Oh, yeah. You can betray me. He uses his gloved hand to

throw the gun which results in the gun falling then landing onto the black and white checkered floor

Pomni: Oh. Uh—I just—I thought this was gonna be a mutual thing.

Jax: Nah, nah. Go on, do it.

Pomni: ...I-I don't... really want to.

Jax: Laaaaame! Come on! I thought you were cool.

Pomni: We could just be winners. As a team.

Jax: We're not a team! Come on.

Pomni stammers a bit.

Pomni: What do you mean? Yes, we are.

Jax: Delusional.

Pomni: W-Weren't we kind of bonding over being chaotic-evil together?

Jax: *scoffs* I was merely entertaining you because I thought it was funny. Now, are you gonna shoot me, or what?

Pomni looks at him with concern.

Pomni: Did I... do something wrong?

Jax: Ugh, you sound like Ragatha right now. No wonder we're not a team.

Pomni: No, I mean—We were doing fine. Having fun, talking. But you suddenly just—

Jax: *sing-songy* You're not committing.

Jax pulls the gun to his head.

Jax: Do it.

Pomni looks on with a worried expression.

Pomni: If I shoot you right now, are we still gonna be friends afterwards?

Jax: We were never friends.

Pomni: Wh...What about all that stuff you told me?

Jax: Yeah, I did tell you a lot, didn't I? Not looking forward to thinking about that tomorrow.

Pomni then realizes what Jax means.

Pomni: No. No, no, no. We're not doing this. You're—You're not gonna look me in the eye and tell me nothing we've been doing together meant anything to you, because I know that's not true.

Jax: ...Are you coming onto me? Yeah, that's what everybody wants, a straight couple.
Pomni: Oh my god, can you take this seriously? Can you take ANYTHING seriously?
Jax: Dude, you're a cartoon clown. How am I supposed to take you seriously?
Pomni: Wh—I—mmm... you reached out to me, not the other way around. You're just gonna pretend that didn't happen?
Jax: You must be misremembering.
Pomni: Is this why you didn't show up to Kaufmo's funeral?
Jax: I don't show up to ANY funerals.
Pomni: Yeah, I bet you don't, because you're scared. Y-You're scared you'll actually show a human emotion.
Jax: I'm scared I'll be BORED to TEARS. His two gloved-hands on his cheeks of his face
Pomni: Have you ever thought that this might be what causes people to abstract in the first place? Her gloved-hand holding the gun while her other gloved-hand is not holding anything
Jax: *bitter laugh* His gloved-hand on his hip while his other arm is straight down Oh my GOD! He points to himself by using his gloved-hand Are you seriously gonna blame me for something that everybody else did too?! He stomps venomously towards Pomni while she backs away You didn't even know him! You don't even know what people are LIKE before they abstract! He points to Pomni by using his gloved finger They are NOT pleasant to be around. Like AT ALL! You—
Jax suddenly stops, scoffs, and slowly regains his smile. The transition is uncanny.
Pomni: I-I'm... I'm sorry.
Jax: I'm sure you are.
Jax then hisses through his teeth and tries to change the subject.
Jax: His two gloved-hands behind his head Hooo, man! His gloved-hand on the side of his head This is all sorts of embarrassing, huh? So, are you gonna shoot me, or what? His head tilted while his gloved fingers do a gun gesture
Pomni: ...What would you do if I abstracted tomorrow?

Jax drops his arms to his sides. He slowly turns to Pomni, expressionless.
Jax: ...I'd move on.
He tilts his head, giving her an empty smile.
Jax: And probably forget about you.
Pomni gives him a dejected look.
Pomni: Okay... okay... I understand.
Pomni turns around, raising the gun. Jax looks on, notices what she is doing, then rolls his eyes.
Jax: *Scoffs, bitter chuckle* Geez, you really can't take a joke, can you?
Pomni doesn't respond, only shaking with anger as she stares at the gun with a distressed expression on her face. Suddenly, she turns around and throws the gun at him.
Pomni: You're NOT the funny one! She points by using a gloved-finger while her other gloved-fist
Jax: His gloved-hand on the side of his head while his other gloved-hand open then both gloved-hands open Uh, I don't think that counts.
Pomni then unleashes her anger and starts attacking Jax, trying to strangle him while Jax's mouth is open that has triangle teeth also curved tongue sticking out before being kicked away.
Jax: Hey, what are you doing?!
Pomni then throws a Rubik's cube at him, which he dodges, and then a flower pot, which hits him. She then runs up to Jax and chomps on his leg. He pushes her away again.
Pomni: Her high-pitched tone of voice Fight back!
Jax makes a "I don't want to hurt you" expression on his face.
Jax: His low-pitched tone of voice Are you crazy?!
Pomni: Her high-pitched tone of voice I said, fight BACK!
Pomni then jumps on Jax's shoulders, punching and clawing furiously at his head. Jax throws her off aggressively.
Jax: His low-pitched tone of voice STOP!!!
They both stay still, panting.
Jax: What's wrong with you?!
Pomni: Her low-pitched tone of voice ...Why didn't you fight back?!
Jax: Oh, here we go. Here we go! Because I didn't fight back, that means I secretly care about you?! *Sarcastically He points to Pomni by*

using his gloved-hand I'm just a misunderstood little chicken fetus in an egg His gloved-hands describe that needs to be cracked open. *Furiously* Well, I am NOT! He points to Pomni by using his gloved-finger I do not care about you, or ANYONE ELSE in this circus in the slightest! His two gloved fists End of story!
He forces a strained smile, looking deranged.
Jax: His two gloved fists You are my playthings, and I get joy out of making you SUFFER. I'm the one who causes pain for FUN! If I led you on, it was just to make this part hurt you more.
Jax then turns away with a twisted smile.
Jax: Fk.
Jax looks down at his hand, then up at the sky with a more strained, pained smile as he then kicks a nearby Rubik's cube.
Jax: FK!
He's left panting while his limbs rest at his side, then turns to Pomni with visible bags under his eyes.
Jax: There's nothing more to me. *His expression and smile drops into something more exhausted* So please, just stop looking.
With that, Jax walks away, leaving Pomni there alone with a look of sadness on her face.

The Favorite Character Awards!
After a while, the scene cuts to the Favorite Character Awards, where Pomni still has a sad expression and Jax has one of pure disinterest. There, Pomni and Ragatha run into each other again. They start talking over each other.
Pomni: Hey, I-I feel like, uh—
Ragatha: I-I have something I—
Ragatha: You can speak first.
Pomni: No, you go.
They awkwardly look at each other, realizing they both were talking at the same time.
Pomni: Let's talk after the show.
Ragatha: Yeah, sounds good.
Cuts the theater show. Ragatha takes a seat one seat ahead from Kinger with Pomni sitting next to her while Jax takes a seat far away from

everyone else. The lights dim with applause and cheering heard.

Caine: Ladies and gentlemen, it's time for the favorite character awards!

A golden text reading "THE FAVORITE CHARACTER AWARDS" appears floating above the stage.

Caine: Before anything starts, I'd like to thank... *Deep voice* THE COMMITTEE... *Normal voice* for examining our nominees and voting on our winners.

Committee Members: We love you, Caine!

Caine blushes, flustered.

Caine: Sh-Shut up...

Committee Member: Okay...

The camera cuts to Jax visibly miserable, looking downward with his head resting in his palm. Then, his expression shifts to something even more pained and distressed. It then cuts to him bouncing his leg rapidly before finally getting up and walking away.

Caine: But what's an award show without honorable mentions and subcategories? *Jax gets up out of his seat.* That's right -- it's bad!

Cuts to the bathroom.

Caine: *Muffled* Unlike my show, which is good.

Jax heads to the bathroom sink, turning on the faucet. He then pants with his pupils becoming scribbles. A heartbeat thudding and heavy panting is heard while he looks at the running water. His hands are put on the edge of the sink as high-pitched ringing is heard. Everything gets blurry and static until he finally stops after a couple seconds. He then sighs, looking at himself in the mirror with a depressed look on his face.

Jax: God, you look stupid.

The toilet flushing is heard while Jax turns his direction towards the sound. The stall opens with Disappearing Guy walking out.

Disappearing Guy: 'Su—

He disappears. Jax looks unamused and irritated.

Cuts to the theater show.

Caine: And the award for Biggest Sailor Mouth goes to... Zooble!

Cuts to Zooble with Gangle sitting next to her. They have a stoner face with a bottle of stupid sauce on their torso and some stupid sauce in their eye.

Cheering and applause is heard.
Zooble: slurring Huh?
Cuts to Pomni looking at Jax going back to his seat with a concerned look on her face. She then turns to Ragatha with a worried look on her face as her head goes down a bit and Pomni shakes her head.
Cuts to Caine.
Caine: Alright, folks, it's now the moment you've all been waiting for... the award for Favorite Character! Bubble, give me a drum roll.
Bubble makes the drum roll sound.
Caine: And the award for Favorite Character goes to... Why... it's me, everyone!
Silence.
Caine: Oh, wait, I misread that. It's Ming.
Ming walks onto the stage.
Ming: You shouldn't have assumed you won the award. Now we both look foolish.
The camera hovers on the frame of the audience, Caine, and Ming before cutting to black, and then to the credits.

The Voting Sheet
The scene shows a single mannequin cleaning the stage
Caine: Alrighty. Now, let's see how many of them voted for me.
Caine pulls out a favorite character awards sheet, showing everyone with stars except for him, much to his disappointment
Caine: Heh...
No Adventures Today
We see Zooble inside a box staring at Pomni while she opens it.
Zooble: *groans* Is the adventure over already?
As Zooble and Pomni are talking, Gangle and Ragatha walk up.
Pomni: No, the adventure hasn't even started yet.
Zooble: Oh, well, don't be a narc. Find your own hiding spot.
Zooble tries to close the box again, only for Pomni to immediately open it again.
Pomni: It's not that. It's just that we haven't even seen Caine at all today. Plus, Gangle was looking for you.
Gangle: Hi, Zooble.

Gangle picks up Zooble as Ragatha looks around.
Ragatha: Wait, what's this?
Ragatha picks up the note as the others walk up.
Caine: Hello, my little rubber baby buggy bumpers! Today, I've decided to go to the store to get essential ingredients for my signature Milk and Cigarette casserole!
The four look at Caine as he continues talking.
Caine: I hope you can handle yourselves until I get back.
The four stare at Caine as Kinger walks in.
Zooble: Well, this was fun while it lasted.
Ragatha: So, uh, what's the adventure today?
Caine: Oh, I don't have an adventure for you today. So you can do whatever you feel like.
Zooble picks their head up and puts it on their body
Zooble: All right, sounds fine to me.
Caine: You should ask me for suggestions on what to do instead.
Zooble: No.
Gangle: What should we do instead?
Zooble: No, Gangle-!
Gangle: Oh, wait, sorry...!
Caine: Great question, Gangle! For an answer, let me consult... the Chinese Room!
Caine summons a door in the middle of the room
Zooble: Okay, he had a bit prepared.
Caine takes some papers with Chinese lettering on them and slides them into the Chinese Room
Zooble: Okay, why Chinese? Does this actually mean anything?
Caine: It's a mystery what's behind that door. But I believe that it's a fluent Chinese speaker who will give me advice.
Zooble: Can I just ask why? Like, what even is-
Caine: SHUT! You're only making the joke take longer.
The papers come back out from the room, Caine picks them up
Caine laughs manically.
Zooble: *sighs* What does it say?
Caine: I don't know. I don't understand Chinese!

Kinger chuckles.
Zooble: Hilarious...
Caine: I don't know, why don't you guys hang out at the Digital Lake? These locations have just kinda been here this whole time. Not sure why you never visit them.
Bubble floats in
Bubble: You should throw a ffffffffffffffffffffffffffffreaking beach party.
Caine: *His hand grows giant, and he starts patting Bubble* Good boy.
Ragatha: Oh, that could be fun!
Caine: Plus, there are some fun NPCs out there that none of you have even interacted with yet.
Zooble: I'm guessing they're not intelligent ones?
Caine: They most certainly are not. Now, go have fun!
Caine poofs.

A Day At The Beach
A title card "A Day at the Beach" appears with some tropical music. The camera switches to the Sun.
Sun: Wow, what a good day! Wow!
The camera pans down to Zooble, Pomni, Gangle, Ragatha, and Kinger looking at a red and white changing booth.
Zooble: Alright, so who wants to try Caine's magical changing booth first?
Pomni: I guess I'll give it a go?
Pomni goes inside the changing booth. The changing booth shakes like crazy and Pomni gets shot out onto the sand, in her beach outfit.
Sun: Wow, you look mediocre! If you ever need a sunburn, give me a call!
Pomni: I-I don't want a sunburn.
Sun: Should have thought of that before I decided I hate you!
Ragatha: Yeah, don't interact with the Sun... She's just like that.
The camera shows a short montage of the five of them having fun on the beach. Pomni and Ragatha lie on towels in the shade, Kinger leans back on a palm tree and Gangle starts playing baseball with a watermelon while blindfolded, but Zooble stops her.
Zooble: Gangle, wait.

They draw Jax's face on the watermelon, which both of them find funny. Gangle hits the watermelon and breaks it. Then it's shown that Jax is sitting on a lounge chair, alone, while the others are having fun together. Pomni, Ragatha and Kinger are playing catch with the ball in the lake when the ball hits Ragatha and her button eye falls off

Ragatha: Oh! My eye!

Pomni: I'll get it.

Pomni dives into the water to look for Ragatha's eye, but gets met with a Orange Fish.

Orange Fish: Hey, there. If you wanna find my sunken treasure chest, you'll have to try better than that.

Pomni looks confused. She briefly goes up for a breath of air and returns to see the Orange Fish with a red fish.

Orange Fish: So, I was just talking with my brother here, and yeah - you are definitely not getting our sunken treasure chest. Definitely not.

Pomni: *burbled* Do I even want your treasure chest? It's not like there's anything to spend money on.

Red Fish: *bizarre raspy voice* I'm the one that tells LIES.

Orange Fish: Dude... You ruined it.

Pomni sees an opened empty treasure chest nearby.

Pomni: Is that your treasure?

Orange Fish: Duuuude! No! They took everything! That was my entire life savings, dude! Oh my god. Oh god. Oh my god, I'm gonna be sick. I'm gonna be sick. That was everything. Oh, my GOD!

Pomni resurfaces from the water.

Ragatha: Did you find it?

Pomni: Nah. Somebody plundered it before I could.

Ragatha looks at Pomni with confusion.

Ragatha: ...What?

Pomni: What? Oh, wait. Your eye!

Pomni goes back into the water to find it once again. The camera shifts to Jax, who gets wet because Zooble dumped a bucket of water on him.

Jax: *sighs* What was that for?

Zooble: Oh, let me think. There's that time you ran me over with a

steam roller. The time you pushed Gangle into a pool of piranhas. When you set me on fire, mailed me a pipe bomb, threw me into an active volcano... I could go on.
Jax: *sighs* Aren't you supposed to be miserable about your ability to choose your own body, or something?
Zooble: Aren't you supposed to be causing trouble for everyone?
Jax looks away.
Zooble: I've been starting to think that maybe the ability to change is fine. Not needing to commit to one thing all the time.
Jax: How about that.
Zooble: And if I DO still have problems, I talk about them with the people I trust.
Jax sits up properly, a "smile" on his face.
Jax: Good thing I don't have any problems, then.
Jax starts to walk away.
Zooble: Where are you going?
Jax: Anywhere you losers won't yap my ear off.
Pomni wraps a towel around her shoulders but sees a Shrimp NPC beside her.
Shrimp NPC: Hello, there! As the Shrimp NPC...
the Shrimp NPC pauses and doesn't finish her sentence. Pomni looks off to the side, where she sees Jax leaving the Digital Lake. But her eyes also landed on a mannequin NPC hiding behind a rock. She turns back to see the Shrimp NPC already fried.
Sun: You're welcome!
Pomni sends the Sun an awkward thumbs up and looks back at the mannequin. It waves her over. She looks at the others still having fun and decides to check.

We Need...Keys?
We see Jax lay down on his bed. His head turns to the side, seeing the different photographs hung on the wall. He turns one around. It was a photo of him, Ribbit, and Kaufmo holding hot chocolate. He turns to the other side of his room and starts seeing a black triangle in the corner. Then suddenly green hands start to emerge behind it, reaching towards him. He seemed scared but couldn't stop himself from reaching for it. Once their

hands touch, Jax ends up floating in a psychedelic and kaleidoscopic world. Jax is naked as peaceful music starts playing. The dreamscape is later filled with the faces of Ribbit and Kaufmo rather than just abstract shapes, with Jax's face joining them thereafter. He starts calming down, until his doorbell rang. He sat up, his eyes seeming close to abstracting as he forces himself to breathe. Jax opens the door.

Jax: *sighs* Way to interrupt my nap.

Pomni, Ragatha, and a mannequin NPC were the ones beyond the door.

Pomni: Can we talk?

Jax: You're what?

Pomni: Yeah. He's not actually an NPC. He's a human. Like us.

NPC: Yes, I know. *laughs ruefully* Getting stuck with a blank mannequin body of all things. Caine completely overlooked me. But because of this, I was able to uh- Well... I think I've found the way to leave.

Jax: "The way to leave"?

Ragatha: Yes. The way to leave the circus and get back to the real world.

NPC: Shhh! Yes. But, please, keep it discreet. If Caine catches on, I doubt he'll ever let us get this far again.

Pomni: That's why we came to you. We thought you might have a key to the Chinese Room.

Jax: The "Chinese Room"?

NPC: Yes. We're gonna need a place to talk without Caine listening in on us. I have a working theory that Caine will commit to a bit, no matter what. And if the bit is to not know what's in the Chinese Room, he'll stick to it.

Jax: Uh, I guess I'll check.

Jax goes in his room, closing the door behind him. He comes back out, holding a bucket of keys.

Jax: These are all the keys I have where I don't know what they go to.

Jax gives the bucket to Pomni and was about to close the door.

Pomni: Wait. Don't you want to come with us? This could be our one chance to finally leave all this behind.

Jax: *sighs* Sure. Why not?

Chinese Room

Jax, Pomni, Ragatha, and the NPC approach Zooble and Gangle at the site of the Chinese door

Zooble: Where even is Caine? He might be suspicious of us even being here.

NPC: He's probably in his office, planning adventures.

Jax: sighs How do we even know we can trust this guy? Has he done anything to prove he's human?

NPC: I've been here longer than any of you. *nervously* I... uh... helped create this place. I'll explain more when we're in the room, but for now... please just trust me. You will not regret it.

Pomni sets the bucket of keys down. Jax and Gangle grab one of the keys. As the bucket empties more keys are strewn about, till it is empty. Gangle puts a final key up to the door and struggles with it.

Gangle: Am I doing this wrong? None of these even fit in the keyhole. *Tries to insert the key again*

Jax: Has anyone even tried just... *Opens the door*

A Chinese Room NPC reading a book places it down in a hurry

Chinese Room NPC: Oh, thank God. *He runs out swiftly*

Most of the cast looks on in confusion, while a smug Pomni slowly turns towards the others

Gangle: *drops the key* I– ...I–

Zooble: Okay, well, it's open. Let's just get inside before Caine sees us.

Pomni: I'll go get Kinger.

NPC: We can fill him in later. I don't really know if I'm– uh– ready to face him again... after what happened.

Pomni: Uh-

NPC: We've both done things we're not proud of.

They enter the room and close the door

Jax: Alright, convince me.

NPC: I'm one of the original programmers of the Digital Circus. I was part of a team of experts employed by C&A to bring this place to life. Kinger was one of my coworkers, back when he was still...

Ragatha: You really think Kinger worked with him?

NPC: *Knocks a cup over, scattering paper everywhere* O–oh whoops,

sorry.
Pomni: I can see it.
NPC: Well, as production went on, the higher ups in C&A started getting untrustworthy. They began forcibly hooking my fellow coworkers up to the computer. *Animated images of what the NPC is describing appear* In special stasis pods to keep them alive and analyze their brains... Just awful stuff.
Jax: I'm gonna shoot you down and say none of us are C&A employees. How would we have gotten hooked up to this big machine just by putting on a headset?
NPC: That's what I wondered, as well. But then, I remembered that C&A was planning on expanding development. Last I remember, I was asking too many questions, and then poof! I was here. They're probably doing the same to anyone who stumbles in that office. Caine is an AI.
Zooble: Yeah, I think we all got that–
NPC: An AI specifically created to keep your minds active. But he's just as much of a prisoner as you are. One that– uh– won't be able to leave with us.
Zooble: Just get to the meat and tell us exactly how we're gonna leave if we're all hooked up to stasis pods?
NPC: Uh, yes. Yes, of course. *Pulls out a map and they all hover over it* So, I did some digging, and I discovered that the stasis pods and the virtual world are both run in the same program. *Draws a line between the two places with a blue colored pencil* So, theoretically, if we were to access the master console hidden deep within Caine's office, we could terminate it and forcibly awaken everyone who's hooked up. Well... Obviously, except for Caine.
Pomni: How do we get into Caine's office?
NPC: We'll need to steal the key from Caine. And we'll also need administrator privileges. *Camera pans to Jax* I believe you're good at obtaining keys.
Jax: Okay, you know what's gonna happen when we do all this? Caine's gonna pop out and say "Congratulations on beating the 'escape the circus' adventure!" And everything's going to go back to the way it

always was.
NPC: I've been watching you... All of you. *flashbacks of the NPC watching them in the moments he describes* Every trial. Every moment of joy. Every... abstraction. I wish I could've come to you sooner, but I didn't want to potentially ruin our only chance at escape by telling you before I knew exactly how we were gonna do it. I'm not a creation of Caine. I've suffered just as much as the rest of you. I know this all sounds... crazy, but if you follow me, you will see freedom. I'll also draw a face on myself so you can tell me apart from any other blank NPC's. *Draws a smile on his face*
Pomni: Oh, um– What should we call you? Do you have a name?
Abel: I do. *He turns his back to them, and tilts his head back* My name...*Turns around completely with his hands on his hips and light coming from the sky shining down on him* ...is Abel.
The cast looks unimpressed
Gangle: Like, is that the name *you* picked or...?
Abel: Yeah. I thought it would be cool. But anyway, first things first, we need to get that key.
Jax looks stubbornly at Pomni and then Gangle before onto Abel

Dinner Date
Abel: *voiceover as Jax wanders around the circus grounds* In order to get the key, you're going to need to isolate Caine. Try getting him alone– someplace where he'll feel comfortable confiding in you.
Jax: Hey, Caine! You around?
Caine zooms into Jax's face
Caine: Hey, Jax! I didn't know you could ask if I was around like that. *Pats Jax on the shoulder.* Good job.
Jax: Uhhh... *pointing at Caine* you want to get dinner together?
Caine: *Shocked* GASP! A human wanting to... *eyes grow big* hang out with ME??? How could I possibly turn down such an offer??
Jax: So, where you wanna— WooOOAH!–
Caine pulls Jax by the shoulder out of the circus grounds and into a sit-down restaurant, where they sit across from each other at a table.
Caine: So, Jax! Whatcha want to talk about, *leaning in* friendo?
Jax: Uh– I–

Caine's head grows large and towers over Jax.
Caine: Wait, JAX! *Caine grows back to his normal size.* I wanted to ask you about the adventures! What do you think I should do to make them more appealing to the Zooble and the Pomni?
Jax: I think that–
Jax and Caine are handed dinner menus
Caine: We should figure out what to order first! Conversation can happen after we've loaded up on digital nutrients.
Caine's menu says "Food to Eat" and depicts lettuce and tomatoes, as well as some mysterious food encased in jello
Abel: *to Jax in the Chinese room* Then you're going to want to ask him about his hobbies. Odds are, he'll get so excited that you care about him, he'll freeze up, and you'll be able to grab the key from inside his mouth.
Jax: *from Chinese room, frowning* Inside where?
Caine: *at dinner with Jax* What are your thoughts on cedar-smoked salmon? I "cedar" smoked salmon, but I hardly "knowder" smoked salmon! *Laughs maniacally*
Jax: *fake laugh* Ah-ha-ha-ha-ha. Uh, do you have any secret hobbies?
Caine: *turns to face Jax incredulously* ...Secret hobbies?
Jax: Yeah, like, things you do on your own that you'd be interested in talking about?
Caine: Why... I... I didn't think a human would ever want to ask me about my... *his eyes grow large as he stares intently at Jax, who is smiling hesitantly*. Th-this is the most fantastical moment of m–
Dial-up tones blare. Caine T-poses as his eyes display coding error screens.
Jax grimaces as he reaches inside Caine's mouth under his eyes, digging for the key.
Caine: *eyes stop glitching* ...Whatcha doin' there, Jax?
Jax: Have I ever told you how it's my dream to get eaten by you?
Caine: *with Jax's hand still down his throat* That's a weird thing to say and want.

Suspicious...
Abel, Pomni, and Ragatha walk through the hallway of their rooms.
Ragatha: Do you really believe it? I-I mean, everything he says?

Pomni: I... I just want to know what Kinger thinks of all this.
Ragatha: Y-Yeah. I-I was thinking the same thing.
Pomni: How much do you know about Kinger?
Ragatha: Huh? O-Oh, I probably know about as much as everybody else. But...he's also helped me through some of my hardest times here. Is it weird to say I...I trust him the most out of everybody?
Pomni: No, that's not weird at all. I had a similar experience, and...I think he might know more about this place than he lets on.
Ragatha: Yeah, he has been here longer than anyone else. But I just- I don't know. I think it's kind of strange that Abel isn't interested in him at all.
Abel stops walking.
Abel: Like I said... things between us are complicated. I would love to be able to work alongside him again. And you're right to think he has knowledge about this place. It's just... *Abel looks down at an opened locket in this hand.* I made a promise.
Pomni tries to see what was in that locket but Abel closed it.
Ragatha: What's going to happen to the people in the cellar, like Kaufmo and Ribbit?
Abel: I don't know. But let's hope for the best, right?
Pomni and Ragatha looks at each other with uncertainty.
Abel: And here we are. The administrator zone.
Abel proceeds to rub the wall trying to find the portal. The portal opens and the three walks through it.

Dinner Da- Ew...
The camera switches back to Jax and Caine.
Caine: Buuut, like I was saying. This macroverse place really intrigues me. *The camera pans down on the photos of C&A* And these photos are all I have of the location. I'm obsessed with them. I-I just wish I had more info on the location so I could accurately recreate it. Too bad they *slams hands on the table* cut me off, right?? *laughing heartily*
Jax: Uh, yeah. *playing with his digital food* What a shame.
Caine floats closer to Jax.
Caine: So, what's your takeaway from all this?
Jax: What?

Caine: What's your takeaway from all this? Is it that I'm actually a cool guy with cool hobbies *turns and makes his eyes bigger* and not that much different from you beautiful humans?

Jax smiles with uncertainty.

Jax: Uh, sure.

Caine: Wowie! *sits back down* I'm so glad we understand each other a little more. I really am trying my best to make you guys happy, and being appreciated for that just makes me want to...

Caine's eyes display coding error screens, and dial-up tones blare again. Jax rolls his eyes and stands up once more on the table. He reaches inside Caine's mouth, grimacing. he soon pulled out a keycard full of spit. He sits back down and pockets it as Caine suddenly stops glitching.

Caine: -elebrate by giving you guys anything you ask for! How's that sound?

Jax: Sounds good! Uh, this was a nice dinner and everything but *inhales sharply* ...Could I go back to the circus? The gals and I were gonna do somethin' which may or may not be a surprise for a special certain ringmaster we want to show our appreciation for.

Caine: GASP! Say no more!

With a snap of Caine's fingers, Jax is teleported back to the circus. Caine reaches in his mouth and pulls out another picture of C&A.

The Plan

Zooble and Gangle are seen standing on the circus grounds, near Kinger's fort.

Zooble: How long is Jax gonna take? I feel like we've been standing here for hours.

Gangle looks behind her, at Kinger's pillow fort.

Gangle: Should we... tell Kinger what's happening? I feel bad not including him in any of this.

Zooble: We're supposed to follow Abel's instructions... I-It probably couldn't hurt to at least give him a warning, though. Just to get him into the right headspace.

Zooble grabs a pillow from Kinger's fort and puts it to the side.

Kinger: *moves away from the pillow* AH!

Zooble: Oh, my god.

Kinger: Oh- *looking at Zooble* Hi, Gangle. *looking at Gangle* Hi, Zooble. You startled me.
Zooble: Soooo, we may have discovered something you'll want to hear about. Uh, I-it's uh...
Gangle: We found a way to leave the circus. We're currently preparing everything, but we need to keep it quiet, so Caine doesn't stop us.
Zooble: Uh, yeah, what she said.
Kinger: ...Huh? leave the circus? How would you... No, that doesn't make sense.
Zooble: We met up with Abel. He says he was one of the original programmers, and he knows how to shut off the game and free us.
Kinger: Uh... who?
Zooble: U-uh-
Just then, Jax falls onto the floor making back to circus. Kinger, Zooble and Gangle have noticed it.
Zooble: *turns to Kinger* We'll continue this conversation later. Just thought I'd give you a heads up.
Zooble walks away from Kinger's fort. Jax stands up, holding the keycard.
Jax: I am never doing anything for you guys ever again.
Zooble: Where's Caine?
Jax: Worry not, my dear damsel. I think I stopped him from checking up on us for a while. So no need for your distraction anymore. You're welcome.
Zooble: In other words, you just made us have to wait longer to do our job. Also, don't call me that.
Jax: What's the rush? You got someone waiting for you outside?
Zooble: ...Don't you?
Jax: ...Y-yeah.
Jax turns away looking down in his face

The Administrator Zone
The scene switches to Pomni, Ragatha, and Abel inside the administrator zone. Abel puts his hand inside a sphere.
Abel: So, uh... how many administrator passes should I get?
Pomni: Six.
Ragatha: Yeah, six.

Abel: Are you sure? Giving Kinger access to the main console could be dangerous, considering his mental state.
Pomni: Will it be dark in there?
Abel: I suppose it will be somewhat dim. But-
Pomni: Then yes. I want us all to have one.
Abel: Alright. If you say so.
Ragatha: The dark. I think I get it now.
Pomni: Whatever happens, I'm going to put my trust in Kinger.
Ragatha: He's got a lot of wisdom buried in there, doesn't he?
Pomni: Yeah. He does.
Abel: *murmuring* Yeah, when he uses it responsibly.
Pomni: What?
Abel: I-It's nothing. Let's go find the others.
Abel gives Pomni the administrator passes and starts to leave. Ragatha catches up and puts a hand on Abel's shoulder, making him turn around.
Ragatha: Hey. Don't keep information from us if you know something. What happened between you and Kinger?
Abel: *sighs* It'll be clear soon enough.

Going To Caine's Office
Pomni, Ragatha, and Abel soon meet up with the others.
Abel: So, did you distract Caine?
Jax: I took care of that.
Zooble: He THINKS he took care of that, but we really have no way of knowing.
Jax: Such little faith in me. Goodness.
Zooble: Oh, I wonder why. If this whole thing gets messed up because of you, I swear to god-
Jax: Yeah, let's just all follow Mr. Obvious Twist Villain, instead.
Abel: Now, wait. Hold on, you think-
Ragatha: Let's all just calm down and be a team here. Pomni's got administrator passes for everyone. We're all in this together.
Pomni starts to hand everyone their administrator pass.
Gangle: Why do they look like that?
Zooble shrugs. Pomni gave the last one to Kinger in the pillow fort, to which he observes the small object. he reaches out to Pomni.

Kinger: Wait, Pomni!
Pomni: Huh?
Kinger steps into the bright lights, seemingly forgetting what he was doing.
Kinger: Did you... say something?
Abel: We're going to have to trust that whatever Jax did will keep him distracted. I don't know how long we'll be able to hold these without Caine knowing. So...it's time. Let's go to Caine's office.
Abel grabs a cube from the ground.
Abel: Caine always did have trouble with cube collisions, for some reason.
Abel looks up at the hot air balloon in the sky. He puts the cube down on the ground.
Abel: Alright, just how we went over it. *points to Jax* You first.
Jax: Me? Why me?
Pomni: Jax? Everything's gonna be okay.
Jax: Eh, fine. Ball me up.
Abel balls Jax up and throws him against the cube, causing the glitchy collision. It threw Jax up into the hot air balloon.
Kinger: Oh! Like basketball.
Jax goes down a trippy slide and lands on the ground.

Caine's Office
Jax lifts his head up and is met with the door to Caine's office. Soon Ragatha, Zooble and Gangle follow. Pomni looks at Kinger and back at Abel.
Pomni: I want Kinger to go before me.
Abel: No, yeah, that makes sense.
Kinger: Now, Pomni, don't feel like I need to go before you just because I have the right of way in a four-way, uncontrolled intersection.
Pomni: Just trust me. You want to get somewhere dark?
Kinger: You can say that again.
Abel balls Kinger up and uses the collision to throw him into the portal.
Pomni: So, how are you getting up?
Abel: I'm not. But I trust all of you to make the right choice.
Pomni: When we all get out... I'll buy you a beer.

Abel: Make the right choice.
Pomni: Uh...
Abel balls Pomni up and uses the collision to throw her into the portal. She enters the portal and lands on the ground.
Ragatha: Phew. I was getting kind of worried something was happening down there.
Pomni looking at Ragatha before she gets back up along with the group facing the Caine's office door
Jax: Time for me to serve my purpose, I guess.
Jax uses the keycard as it shines and lets them enter. The door opens as they were met with a bright sight. There were globes of their previous adventures displayed on the stairs. They all climb up to the top where Caine's desk is. Different orbs were shimmering in the room. Some of them got collection of 3D skeleton of NPCS in the glass box.
Ragatha: Abel said the door to the main console was behind the bookshelf.
Ragatha uses the small hand to get through. The doors rumble as there was a long hallway full of columns with different items floating on top. Jax was looking at a winter orb with a sad expression, muffled indistinct speech can be heard.
Pomni: Hey. You all right?
Jax: ...I'm great.
They all stand before the long hallway.
Ragatha: Uh, I guess this is it. W-We're leaving the circus.
Ragatha held out her hand to the others, with Pomni and Zooble taking it. Gangle and Kinger follow as Jax refuses to hold Pomni's hand. They all courageously walk through the long hallway, with Jax following them behind.
Gangle: A-Are... Are we still gonna be friends when we're... out there?
Zooble: Why wouldn't we be?
Gangle: It's just... gonna be strange. I've only known you like this. Will it be the same when it's... real?
Zooble: It always was real. Everything we felt. Everything we've done. Everything we are. It'll never leave us. And I wouldn't have it any other way.

Gangle: *laughs and sniffles* Thank you... for always being there when I needed. *laughs tearfully as Jax pants softly.*

The door to the control panel opens. The console beeps and flashes blue. In the console says "The red button will close the console, and keep all players inside the circus." and "The blue button will end the game and disconnect all players." Pomni looks down at the red and blue buttons in front of her.

Pomni: Uh, Kinger. Do you want to make the choice?

Kinger: The choice of what?

Ragatha: Uh, are you sure he's all the way h-here?

Zooble: Uh, hey. Yeah, wait. Don't we all want to press "leave"? Why leave it up to him?

Pomni: I- I- W-What if there's something we don't know? Maybe we should give it a little more time?

Kinger: Oh, yeah. I love pressing buttons. You, uh, want me to press one of those two?

Pomni holds both of her hands up in front of her, stopping Kinger.

Pomni: *stammers* I don't know.

Zooble: Uh, am I missing something? We-We all want to leave, right?

Ragatha: Uh, Pomni?

Pomni: Yeah, no- Yeah, we do. It's just- W-What if it's a-a trick or something?

Zooble: Why would there be a trick console in Caine's office? Wh- No matter what we press, Caine's gonna know we were here. We should push it.

Jax can be seen looking at Pomni with an extremely distressed face.

Pomni: H-Hold on! Let's just wait a second and go over everything we know. And, uh, maybe we can...

Jax can be seen panting.

Pomni: ...Vote on it, or something?

Jax is hyperventilating scribling his eyes, seeing very quick glimpses of what seems to be a neighborhood and some driving on the road. In his panic, Jax pushes Zooble away and runs to the console. He slams his fist onto the red button, making the large screen turn red. All of them looked in shock and disbelief.

Ragatha: What did you just do...?

Jax: *stammers* I- I-

The large screen turns black. A whistle can be heard tooting as the screen opens into a white light. Celebratory music starts to play. Before the cast turning onto the white light.

The Good Ending

Caine appears, floating in mid air in a celebratory pose.

Caine: Congratulations, my little cattywampus cucumbers! You picked the good ending, where you realize you'd rather stay with me than go back to that pesky old Macroverse, or whatever we decide to call it! I knew you'd make the right choice!

Pomni: You... you mean this was all...

Caine: An adventure! Yes! And one I've been cooking up for a good long while.

Caine snaps his fingers and makes "Abel" appear.

Caine: Great job playing your part, "Abel"!

Both laugh.

Abel: All in a good day's work! By the way, you think I could get a raise after that performance?

Caine: *laughs* Oh, you're getting too smart. Time to delete.

Abel: AHH!!!–

With a snap of Caine's fingers, Abel is deleted. His locket drops to the ground, where it seems to have a small hotdog with mustard on top.

Ragatha: None of that was true? The C&A stuff, the pods... The way out?

Caine: A fabrication of my incredible world-building skills.

Jax: I was right...? *laughing manically* I can't believe I was RIGHT!!! *laughing hysterically*

Ragatha: Wh-- What would have happened if we'd picked the other button?

Caine: Oh, I didn't put too much thought into that one 'cause I knew you'd never pick it. So I left that up to Bubble.

Bubble: I made it take you to Shrimp Town.

Caine: Yeah, it was gonna take you to Shrimp Town.

Well, It's Impossible!

Jax continued laughing manically in tears before slamming his fists on the console in a fit of rage
Jax: You DIRTY LIAR! You SCUMBAG! You... You made me... *hisses through teeth* You got in my head. You just... You just lie about everything, DON'T YOU?!
Caine: I, uh... Huh?
Jax: You can mess with our minds, too, can't you?! The Stupid Sauce, the Vegan thing- God knows what else!
Pomni: ...Our names...?
Caine: Now, now, hold on guys! Wait, wait, wait! I MAY have the ability to add temporary modifiers to make adventures more interesting, but that's it! If I did any more... *laughs nervously* ...Trust me. It would... Not end well.
Kinger: Scratch... The first abstraction...
Caine: Hey, hey, HEY! I didn't say anything like that! Come on, guys! You know I'm just here to have fun! I...
Everybody looks shocked and furious at Caine for manipulating their hope of escape.
Caine: Uh... Questioning's over! Your prize is *Bubble transforms into a basket with soaps and lotions* this lovely gift basket of soaps and lotions! Stay fragnant, have a good light—— Fragrant! Night! BYE!

The Beginning of The Circus
The episode opens up on a black graph paper-like screen. A red dot materializes, and after the camera zooms, similar dots of other red shades fill the screen from the left upper corner.
The first dot grows, before stock images flash on the screen; wrapped presents on a table, a bright carousel, a pumpkin patch-styled event with animal looking figures in a central gate, a bright valley scene with a rainbow hot air balloon in the sky, an inflatable bungee castle slide with black polka dots and a cartoonish monkey head on the top of the entrance, and finally an upshot view of three circus tents outside. The images then fade.
The red dot begins to make beats, emitting particles of 5 different small shapes in various colors. Then, more dots of different shades of green fill

up he's from the right upper corner, before flashing back into another sequence of images; sugar gummy worms, inflatable dinosaurs, a half-eaten burger on some tissue paper with fries and ketchup on it, a grassy landscape with various trees and a pond, a picture of strange antique masks lined up side by side on tables, a classic cozy outside of a restaurant with red and white plaid tablecloths and empty glass cups stuffed with tissue paper, an eerie photo showing multiple flowers lined up next to a silly smiling clown toy with a red and yellow square sequence, and finally a white alligator in a pink colored pool.

The red dot begins to make beats, emitting particles of 10 different small shapes in various colors, though misshaped than the last. Then, more dots of different shades of blue fill up he's from above, before flashing back into another sequence of images; The main office of C&A with computers and desks. He begins to make beats, emitting more misshapen shapes in various colors, now bigger and out of control, leading it to be contained in a box. Above it, a blue dot materialized in the red dot's place. It was then filled with yellow shades from the upper left corner. The blue dot begins to make beats, emitting particles of 8 different small shapes in various colors. However, the red dot broke free and devoured the blue dot, causing the program to glitch out, emitting chaotic particles of all varying shapes and sizes. Once everything settled and it regained dominance, it began to slowly shrink before slowly emitting red and yellow shapes that took the form of a circus tent, creating the Digital Circus that surrounded itself and making it clear to the audience that the red dot is, in fact, Caine.

The scene cuts to inside the circus tent where Scratch, Wormo, Spike, Bizco, and Rattie are trying to converse with the oblivious Caine, while Kinger is sitting puzzled on the stage until Queenie joins him.

Scratch German dub only: Uh, can we get out of here somehow? What exactly is this place anyway?!

Queenie: Another chess piece, huh? How are you holding up?

Kinger: *sighs* I just don't know what's happening. We never made anything like this.

Kinger and Queenie: I just hope that...

Both stare into each other's eyes, before they're hit with recognition.

Kinger: Wait...

Queenie: A-Are you...?
Kinger: It's... you.
Queenie: Oh, my God.
The two hug each other, while Kinger sniffles happily.
Kinger: *sniffles* I-I... I wish I could remember your name.
Queenie: Yeah. Same.
Kinger: I'm... I'm so sorry I roped you into this with me.
Queenie: *laughs weakly* It's quite strange, isn't it?
Kinger: Heh. *sighs*
The couple holds each other's hands.
Kinger: Listen, No matter what happens, I'll always--
Interrupting his dialogue, the scene cuts to a distraught Kinger as Caine takes and sends an abstracted Queenie to the cellar.
Caine: And into the cellar you go!
He drops her in before closing the hole, leaving Kinger as the only human left
Caine: Golly, uh, we're running out of humans here. *laughs nervously* Now, don't you go abstracting on me, too! *laughs nervously* Uh, seriously.
After Caine disappears, Kinger wanders mindlessly alone through the circus. Suddenly, just as he passes the stage, Ragatha spawns in.
Ragatha: *stammers* Uh, wh-- What -- Hello? Uh, guys? I, uh -- I -- I can't figure out how to -- Guys? Hello? Can you help me out here?
Ragatha turns around and sees Kinger.
Ragatha: Wh--
Ragatha and Kinger look at each other.
Ragatha: What's -- What's happening? Uh, can anybody hear me?
Kinger: I can hear you. Are you ok?
Ragatha: U-Uh, h-- who are you? How do I take this off?
Kinger: I'm... I --
Caine flies in, ecstatic to see the new arrival.
Caine: Wow-wow-wow-wow! A new one?! So it is possible!
Ragatha: Uh --
Caine: Looks like you got a new buddy after all, Kinger!

Kinger: "Kinger." Right.
Ragatha: I -- Wh-- Is this really --
Caine: I was hoping new minds could show up! I have to make some more preparations for this amazing breakthrough!
Caine disappears, leaving a shocked and confused Ragatha.
Ragatha: Wh-- I --
While trying to follow Caine, Ragatha accidentally falls off the stage. Kinger catches her.
Ragatha: H-How do I get out of this?
Kinger: I don't know.
Ragatha: Wh-- What do you mean?
Kinger: But everything's gonna be okay. Do you... remember your name?
Ragatha: I'm -- I -- I'm...

United We Stand
The scene cuts to Present Day, with the cast sitting together. Jax, Zooble, and Gangle are alone on a purple, blue, and green couch respectively, while Ragatha, Pomni, and Kinger sit together on a red couch. Ragatha stares down.
Pomni: Ragatha?
Ragatha: Huh?
Pomni: You doing okay?
Ragatha: *laughs weakly* That's a good question.
The camera zooms out for a birds-eye view of the cast, before it cuts to focus on three of them; Gangle, Zooble, then Jax. Jax sits up.
Jax: *inhales deeply* Welp, really hate to say it, guys, but I told--
Zooble: Don't you even! Do not even BEGIN to say that sentence like you didn't try to keep us all trapped here forever.
Jax: Anything could have happened when you pressed those buttons. It doesn't matter.
Zooble: It seemed to matter back when you did it. What if you DID ruin our one chance at leaving?
Jax: And what if Abel was secretly evil? What if we all got stranded in the void? "What if," "what if," "what if."
Jax lies back down on the couch.

Jax: It wasn't real… So it doesn't matter. Never did.
Zooble: *sighs* How can you say that like you didn't try to us all over?
Gangle: He's right, though.
Zooble turns to look at Gangle.
Zooble: What? Gangle.
The camera cuts to Jax, who gives an irritated look, before going back to Gangle and Zooble.
Gangle: It doesn't matter what could have happened. We could argue about it and hurt each other all day long, but that's not gonna help anybody. I think… what we need to do now… *sniffles* is to just be there for each other.
Pomni: *sighs* She's right. We've all done bad things. But we're also all we've got. *inhales deeply, then sighs* I think… we need to abandon the idea of leaving.
Zooble: What -- What are you --
Pomni: We got our hopes up, and we were let down. I don't know what exactly happened with Kaufmo… But we can't let that despair consume us. We should focus on what we have.
Pomni: *to Ragatha* Like you said… constantly chasing an unobtainable goal will drive us crazy. Maybe what we have to do now is to just… live.
Camera cuts to a distressed Zooble.
Zooble: Oh, man. I had dreams… and -- and goals. I wanted to be able to leave my mark somewhere in the world. How am I supposed to just abandon that?
Gangle: You've made a mark in my life.
Zooble looks at her solemnly.
Zooble: *sighs* I know. You're probably right. But...
Tears form in Zooble's eyes.
Zooble: It just... really, really sucks...!
Gangle lifts her arm onto Zooble's back, then Zooble gives her a big hug, still in tears. Gangle hugs back.
Ragatha: We're all in this together.
Pomni: And we'll always be in this together. No matter what.
Jax leaves the couch and walks away

Zooble: Hey. That includes you, too.
Jax: Huh?
Zooble: *sighs* Listen, we're not gonna have you wandering off alone somewhere and abstracting, or something. You're a pain in the , but... you're still one of us.
Jax: You -- *stammers, looking in his right hand shaking before going back at couch and lies back* Heh. You think I'm capable of abstracting? You guys worry too much.
Jax looks at Pomni before making a smile on her face, he looks away, which makes Pomni visibly sad.
Zooble: *sighs* We need a vacation.

What Makes Him Tick...?
Meanwhile, In Caine's office, Caine is contemplating on the players' response to their last adventure
Caine: fidgets the rubix cube I -- I-I don't understand, Bubble. They want an exit. They want answers. They want something real. I give them an adventure that covers all of that, and they still hate it?! Surely they don't want to actually leave me. Right?
Bubble: No way, Jose. No way, no how.
Caine: I-I do everything for these people. I slave over these adventures for them. I step outside my comfort zone to appeal to them, a-and they still hate them! I made a program that creates a body perfectly encapsulating their mind files, and they hate those, too! I'm starting to get the feeling that they just... hate...
Bubble: Why would they hate you when they could just *glitches* ...hate you?
Caine: pops Bubble Hmph! This is why I was created. This is my function!
Bubble: They'd rather abstract than go on your adventures.
Caine: Th-- That can't be true! I-I do everything for them. Don't they get that I'm trying?
Bubble: Maybe you're just genuinely bad at this.
Caine: pops two Bubbles Shut up! N-No. I-I fixed that. I-I can solve any problem. I-I can solve this one! Th--That's what this is -- a big puzzle that I need to solve.

More Bubbles are shown
Bubbles: Defective.
Caine growls and pops the Bubbles
Bubbles: Faulty!
Caine: Shut up!!
Bubbles: Broken!
Caine growls
Bubbles: Unworthy!
Caine: Enough!
Bubble: *Bubble whispers next to Caine* Maybe you deserve to be abandoned.
Caine pops more Bubbles. Bubble comes back and gets close to Caine's face and stares him in the eyes.
Bubble: *voice brutally low* You really were the lesser of the two. You ruined this.
Caine: *Yells* Enough! *Caine bangs his hands on the desk*
Everything starts glitching, including Caine.
Caine: Who do they think they are? I give them everything, and they spit in my face! *distorted* Don't they know what I'm capable of?! *The scene glitches to Caine's face darkened by shadows and glowing white menacing pupils* Humans. *The scene glitches back to Caine normally* They only think about themselves. They're spoiled. They won't abstract. They won't leave me. I won't let them! I'm better! I'm more powerful! I'm the original! I... AM... GOD!
Caine screams in fury while emitting lightning and glitching before everything goes dark. A spotlight is then shone on Caine, who lifts off the floor, his limbs hanging loosely like he was being picked up. A few bursts of electricity crawl over his body like a shorting wire, the scene flash-cuts twice to Caine screaming and he suddenly returns to normal, calmly adjusting his tie.
Caine: *He turns onto the audience* Let's get this show on the road! *His eyes flash red and blue*

No Adventures
The circus glitches for a bit.
Ragatha: Uh... Wh-- what was that?

Caine appears as whimsical music plays, preparing to show the players a new adventure.

Caine: Hello, my little fortuitous fruitcakes! Today's adventure is--

Zooble: No. Caine, we're not in the mood. Why don't you answer some of our questions? We have a lot of them.

Caine: *laughs manically* Who has time for questions when there's a whole wacky world of hijinks out there?

Zooble: Uh --

Pomni: Yeah, hey! You have a lot of explaining to do--

Caine: Zip-a-da-bap! *He zips Pomni's mouth shut with a zipper.*

Pomni: Mm?

Ragatha: Hey!

Caine: Alternatively, I don't gotta explain diddly squat!

Zooble: Uh, can you just give us some time to process everything?

Caine: Or, how about we skip the melodrama and get *Cracks his knuckles* right to the fun?

Pomni: *unzips her mouth* No! Caine! We have a lot on our minds right now, and we're not going on an adventure.

Jax looks up, not even he *was in the mood.*

Caine: I see. he turns back before makes a turn in front of the members making an intimidation stare And since when were you in charge?

Pomni: Uh... *Looks awfully surprised with Zooble as Caine had never said something like that before.*

Zooble: Wh-- Wha--

Caine: Do you have any idea how much I do for you guys? How much I obsess over trying to make things perfect? How many insults I have to ignore to do my job? You have a lot on your minds? *laughs hysterically* Don't make me laugh. I have a new adventure for you, and you... should consider participating.

Zooble: A-And if we refuse?

Caine: Maybe I'm not getting through to you. *Caine snaps his fingers. A piano begins to play and random lights begin to shatter in time with the music. It shows his light in his stage where Caine is playing the piano, begins to sing*

The One Who's Running The Show

Caine: ♪ It's news to me ♪
♪ That it's news to you ♪
♪ To which degree who answers to who ♪
The piano starts floating in the air
♪ We could go on and on ♪
♪ But in the end, who are we kidding? ♪
♪ My divinity is past infinity ♪
♪ Am I... ♪
Caine pulls himself forward towards Pomni and Ragatha as they watch. He becomes larger.
Getting through?
Caine uses his powers to throw the players into a pile
♪ Seems our regime has plummeted south ♪
A ghastly version of Caine with many eyes appears to frighten them then the scene changes to while Caine's body not fully shown but the only on-screen body part shown is Caine's gloved-finger snapping
♪ Don't need to scream if you ain't got a mouth ♪
Pomni, Ragatha, Jax and Gangle's mouths are erased. Caine holds out a deck of cards and slams it down on his guests
♪ Why bite the hand that feeds ♪
♪ When it's the only hand you're getting ♪
The players are trapped inside the cards each with the corresponding letters their names start with until Caine shuffles them out
♪ It's time you see that this great marquee ♪
♪ Is the only place you're ever gonna be ♪
They start falling toward the floor only to stop in mid-air and get lifted back to the ceiling of the tent
♪ So strap on in and take it on the chin ♪
A giant spring-loaded boxing glove appears through a portal and punches the players away. Caine is sliding down the banister of the spiraling staircase while they are tumbling down the steps
♪ And don't forget who's running the shoooooow ♪
Bubble, who has grown in size and with his mouth wide open, eats the players and Caine pops him, taking them to a dark area. Ragatha is the

first to suffer with Caine grabbing her and ripping her apart as if he were a dog with a chew toy

Now look at this!

A bomb falls in Kinger's hands and blows him up, turning him into a pile of ashes with only his eyes remaining

Absolute bliss!

Jax is hooked up to an electric chair and Caine pulls the lever, resulting in high-voltage torture

Oh, what a shock!

Zooble runs away only to run into a painting of a tunnel on the wall

Watch where you walk!

Caine does a little two-step, takes out a bike pump, and puts the hose in Gangle's mouths

♪ I'm the host, I run the place ♪

♪ Caine, that is my name ♪

He turns Gangle into a sausage-shaped balloon, twirls her up into a balloon dog, takes out a needle and pops her. Turning giant, he grabs Pomni and intimidates her

♪ Not enthused? Just feeling used? ♪

He tosses her onto the floor and steps on her, squishing her into a smudge

♪ Oh, what a goddamn shame! ♪

Cut to the stage where the curtain opens up revealing the players dressed in showgirl uniforms being forced to dance against their will while many NPC's in top hats join in; Caine appears in a snazzy sparkling tuxedo

♪ Congratulations ♪

♪ All of my friends ♪

♪ Public relations are getting a cleanse ♪

♪ Put on your Sunday best ♪

♪ Because I'm nowhere close to quitting! ♪

He snaps his fingers and warps the players elsewhere. Pomni is warped to and running through the Candy Canyon Kingdom where The Fudge is chasing Princess Loolilalu, then Mildenhall Manor where the Angel screams at her, then Spudsy's where the Gloink Queen is chasing an NPC, and then back to the stage where Caine removes her brain

♪ So play the games and just ignore the pains ♪

♪'Cause all that remains ♪
♪ Is how you prime your brains ♪
Now he is shown in the 2D animation style from the credits and then the polygonal model
♪ You whine to me, but you're too blind to see ♪
Everyone returns and lands in Caine's hand who juggles them and drops him for his big finish
♪ That I'm the one who's ♪
♪ Running the shooooooooow ♪
A myriad of chaos ensues, starting with Pomni and Jax flying and crashing into each other, followed by a giant toy mallet smashing Kinger, the barrel monkeys pulling on Pomni's limbs in a tug-o-war, Kinger and Ragatha flying and crashing into each other, Ragatha getting punched by the boxing glove from before, Gangle getting her face blown off by a cannon, and a tied-up Jax getting run over by a toy train. Everyone falls into a pile together, battered and bruised from Caine's torture. Caine finishes his number by dancing on top of them and performing a slide on his knees, in the background the objects of toys moving floating shortly after as they explode in the background and reverting back background the objects of toys, As the song ends
Yeah!
Caine turns to the members who are crushed up, broken into pieces, and mostly very tired, before snapping his fingers to redo the members' bodies.
Caine: I think we all understand each other now.
He disappears before a purple portal opens up behind the cast. Cuts to black, before transitions to them exiting an adventure on several days later.

Break from the Breaking
Caine: Welcome back! I can't believe you didn't pick up on the context clues! It was practically spelled out for you! What are you, stupid? *laughs* Next one's gonna be even crazier! Hope you're ready! By the way, Kinger, I need you for something. Come with me!
Kinger: Huh?
Both Caine and Kinger teleport away. Jax, whose eyes are dangling out of their sockets, falls onto the floor, as Gangle catches Zooble as they fall apart, all while Pomni is holding and looking at Ragatha who is rolled up

like paper.

Jax: *groans and puts back his eyes* I don't know how many more of these new adventures I can handle!... *sighs looks up at Pomni* ...What? Got nothing positive to say about this one?

Ragatha makes muffled, indistinct speech

Pomni: Oh.

Pomni flaps Ragatha out of her rolled position until she's reverted back to normal on the floor.

Ragatha: *panting* I can't take this anymore! We gotta do something about this, or I'm gonna lose my mind! *She holds her hair string loose.*

Zooble: I never should have antagonized him so much. I'm sorry...

Gangle: It's not your fault.

Caine comes back and puts him here revealing Kinger is shredded.

Caine: Break time! Gotta brainstorm some new ideas! *disappears*

Silence for 5-10 seconds

Kinger: ...He shredded me.

Pomni looks at gang in a bad state.

Pomni: *sighs* I think we should get out of the open for a bit.

Then it cuts to the gang in a cafe called Café Cirque, where they wonder what they should do now that leaving the circus is no longer an option.

Jax: *He looks at a mug in front of him topped with whipped cream, which looks like the one he had in the photo with Ribbit and Kaufmo and slurps it down in a single gulp sighs* I haven't been up here in a while.

Pomni: We should just indulge a little while we have the time to. I don't know what Caine has planned next, but I'm guessing it's not anything good. *She disappears and the sandwich falls on the floor.*

Jax looks at Gangle eating a cake and stammers before turning a sigh.

Ragatha: He's gotta get bored of all this sometime, right?

Zooble: He's not a human. I'm not sure if we can properly gauge how he thinks.

Pomni reappears with knives in her body

Ragatha: Oh, God. Are you okay?

Pomni: I'm fiiiiine!... *She walks by to get a sandwich and eats it.*

Jax: You know, things were just fine here until you and Zooble came along. Nothing? *sighs* Okay.

While Pomni removes the knives from her body, her gaze falls on a metal bucket, then on Kinger, realizing something. Immediately afterward, she gets up, picks up the metal bucket and goes over to Kinger.
Zooble: Uh, what are you --
Pomni places a metal bucket over Kinger's head.
Kinger: *muffled* Oh.
Pomni: Just give it a sec. Trust me.
Pomni: Kinger? You there?
Kinger: I'm where? It's dark in here.
Gangle: What exactly are we waiting for?
Ragatha: No, no, she's right. Just give it a bit.

C&A is Real
After an unknown amount of time waiting in the Café in which the characters shift positions in the room through flash cuts, Kinger finally speaks up.
Kinger: I've got a bucket on my head. I'm guessing you don't want me to remove it.
Pomni: *chuckles softly* Kinger.
Kinger: *chuckles* Hey, Pomni.
Zooble: Wait, the bucket makes him sane?
Pomni: Darkness. It's a long story.
Jax: *stammers* What's happening?
Pomni: What do you know about Caine?
Kinger: It's a little hazy, but... I remember... C&A.
Zooble: That was just an adventure, right?
Kinger: No, C&A is a real company. I worked for them.
Gangle: Wait, they really made this game?
Kinger: No, we didn't make games. We were just developing artificial intelligence. Specifically, creative AI. The kind that could come up with its own ideas and create things within the program.
Jax: What is going on right now?
Kinger: Caine was our first semi-successful attempt at that. I can't remember what we originally called him, but... he was one of my greatest achievements as a programmer.
Zooble: Y-You made Caine?

Kinger: Partially, yes. I got a few pointers from, uh... Well, I-I can't remember his real name, but his circus name was Scratch. That man was a genius.
Jax: *breathing heavily* W-Wait, uh --
Kinger: Caine was pretty rough around the edges, though. I wasn't quite on Scratch's level of thinking outside the box, but it was good groundwork for something the rest of the team could wrap their heads around. I can't say the same for Scratch. His ideas were often so bizarre and abstract that the rest of the team had no idea how to work in his language, either due to pure brilliance, or... *sighs* the tumor in his head. He was trying to make something. What was it? I-I'm getting off track. Was there anything specific you needed to know?
Jax: *breathing heavily* Wait, uh -- I-I-I should go distract Caine so he doesn't l-listen in on this. Uh, j-just fill me in afterwards.
Pomni: Are you -- I mean, yeah, that's true, but --
Jax: Fill me in later.
Pomni: Be here later.
Jax: I -- I will.
Jax runs to the stairs, putting his hands on the railing, he then pants as his pupils become scribbles, everything turns blurry and static as Jax looks down at the circus floor. He had come to the realization that everything he believed in, that the circus was just a cartoon and they are cartoon characters, was wrong. The circus is real and all along he had been harming real people.
Jax: *panting* Oh, my God... This is real...
The scene cuts back to the cast members
Pomni: Uh, Caine's going a bit crazy right now. I-Is there any way to stop him? Or at least control him?
Kinger: I see. He's a highly advanced AI, and this is his world -- one that he created from nothing. So, naturally, he has control over... everything. *the others hang their heads sadly, taking this as a sign that there's no hope* ...But so do we.
Pomni: What?
Kinger: In a sense, anyway. We all technically have the ability to conjure, just like Caine. It just comes naturally to him, but requires a

lot more skill and concentration for us.
Ragatha: *gasps* The butterfly!
Kinger: I'm certain I could alter his code -- or at least temporarily put him to sleep until we know how to fix him. I would just need access to a console.
Pomni: The one behind Caine's office?
Kinger: No, just a simple computer interface would work. I could get back in the right headspace and... essentially conjure Caine's code into the console and alter it.
Zooble: Well, where do we get one of those?
Pomni: I think I know exactly where to get one. Take turns with Jax distracting Caine. Don't let that bucket come off Kinger's head.

Back to the Exit
Cuts to Pomni walking in the circus. She looks at herself in the mirror, paralleling a similar shot in the first episode, but calmer and more consuling. She goes to the same spot that she entered the exit door, and closes her eyes. When she opens them, the exit door is there. She sighs and enters the door once more.
Cuts to Caine using Jax as floss.
Caine: Great suggestion, Jax! But as I feared, there just isn't anything stuck between my teeth. Oh, wait! Jax groans while being used as floss.
A car horn honks before crashing down onto the floor.
Caine: Oh, that's where I parked. Ha-ha! He throws Jax away who is now rolled spaghetti.
Bubble: Wow, Caine! You are so funny.
Caine: Uh, could you say it with a little more gusto?
Bubble babbles with gusto
Caine: That's better.
Ragatha: Hey, Caine!
Caine: Um, yep?
Ragatha: Do you wanna hear a list of things we've decided we love about you as our god and savior?
Caine: Wow, now we're talkin'! *Grabs a bucket of popcorn and a wooden chair using long stretchy arms."*

Ragatha: Uh, well, first of all, we love your --
Caine: I know, but I'm bored! Let's go bowling! *snaps fingers*
Ragatha: Whuh?
Caine transforms Ragatha, Gangle and Zooble into bowling pins. Caine grabs a sniper rifle, rubs a pool cue chalk cube on the end of the barrel, and aims at a bowling ball. Caine shoots the bowling ball, which then hits Ragatha and Zooble. The bowling ball magically moves back to hit Gangle. A TV screen shows random 3d characters congratulating Caine.
Caine: *sniffles* I'm so proud of you guys.
Cuts to Pomni walking through the rooms of the exit doors, this action repeats several times, before going through the office where the same computer that she remembered in the pilot lays. Then the whole room start shaking. She grabs the computer and returns to the circus

Playtime is Over
Cuts to Caine trying to make a tree using Jax, Gangle, Ragatha and Zooble.
Caine: Hmm. Feel like it's missing something, right?
Bubble: It's missing relatability.
Caine: You're right, scrap it.
Turns the mentioned cast members into a glob ball.
Caine: Let's go back to the drawing board. Humans just aren't a relatable sculpting material. *Both Caine and Bubble disappear*
Zooble: *groans* You think he's running out of ideas yet, or nah?
Cuts to Kinger and Pomni in Kinger's fort with the computer
Pomni: Do you need help with power, or anything?
Kinger: Nah, I can use my imagination for that.
Pomni: You got this?
Kinger: I think so.
The computer whirs and plays a start-up tune; the logo C&A appears.
Kinger: *sighs* It sure has been a while. I may need some time to get my bearings. Try to help the others distract Caine while I figure this out. He may sense something when I really get into it.
Pomni: O-Okay. I'll do that. Thank you, by the way. For this and, well... everything.
Pomni leaves to go find the others, while Kinger is doing computer bearings.

After, it cuts back to Zooble and Gangle, pulling like a tug-of-war match to get out of the glob ball from Jax and Ragatha as whimsical music plays.
Jax: Honestly, are you even trying?
Zooble: Shut up, Jax...!
After that, they pull back onto the floor, freeing them from the glob ball, just as Pomni comes by to the others.
Pomni: Where'd Caine go?
Gangle: *groans* Back to the drawing board, I guess.
Ragatha: *sighs* Did you get everything working with Kinger?
Pomni: I think so. We just need to make sure Caine doesn't check up on him.
Jax: What do you think we've been doing?
Out of nowhere, Caine appears behind Pomni.

Put In Their Place
Caine: Pomni! *Grabs Pomni* That's the relatability we've been missing! *about to snap his fingers, but he hesitates* Hmm. You know, I thought this endless onslaught of fun would be a little more... satisfying. *Before he places Pomni down safely* But I've come to realize that these rapid-pace ideas are a little half-baked.
Ragatha: Uh, I'm sure you can come up with new ideas if you put your mind to it!
Caine: That's exactly it, though -- I AM putting my mind to it, and I'm just not feeling that spark I once did. And if you're not having fun, and I'm not having fun, then who IS having fun?!
Bubble: I'm having a *baby... sprouts a baby bubble from himself and floats away*
Caine: Exactly! Makes me wonder why you guys even switched up your tone. If I didn't know any better, it seems like you're trying to... *He comes to a realization and everyone becomed scared, thinking he's onto them.* Where's Kinger?
Ragatha: Uh, w-we just wanted to see your new ideas first-hand! We've gotten over our hang-ups, and -- and now we're all just genuinely curious what you're cooking up!
Caine's eyes moving making it suspicious in his turning face.
Caine: I think I'm just gonna check up on --

Pomni: *suddenly furious* We think your ideas suck!
Caine: *deeply shocked* Huh?!
Everyone else: *equally shocked* Huh?!
Pomni: Isn't it obvious?! We wanted to bait you into testing your new ideas on us so we can make fun of them behind your back!
Caine: HAH! That's not... true...
Pomni: Yes, it is! You're a horrible host! You don't care about us at all! You care more about stroking your own ego than giving us anything we'd actually enjoy!
Caine: D-Do you know who I am?
Pomni: Yeah, you're a failure! We're all gonna abstract someday, and what will you have then? Nothing!
Caine: *Eye twitches* Stop that.
Zooble: And this whole stunt? Just torturing us because we hurt your feelings? Pathetic! You're like a child! *The camera switches to a pressured Caine, who slightly glitches, then back to Zooble and Pomni* What kind of all-powerful being has such a fragile ego?
Caine: I-I'm-
Ragatha: You never let us feel like we're at home! You don't comfort anyone when they're upset, and you never bother to understand what it's like in our shoes!
Gangle: You discourage us from thinking outside the box and doing things our own way!
Jax: You lie to us constantly!
Pomni: And on top of it all, *Starts yelling* you just... *The Camera switches to Caine as he looks distressed* don't... *The camera zooms in on Pomni's eyes and mouth* ...Listen!
Caine starts growling louder and the circus begins glitching. Pomni starts to display a scared expression. Caine yells and glitches into a monstrous multi-armed form and he screams loudly. He grabs the circus cast in his large arms
Caine: *glitched voice, yelling* I'M GONNA PUT YOU FREAKS IN YOUR PLACE!
Caine throws Pomni into a black abyss and she gets struck by lightning before being thrown into a spotlight. The camera pans to

reveal Gummigoo with his back turned to Pomni as she has a confused expression. Gummigoo turns around and reveals a realistic, zombified crocodile face. He then prepares to move towards Pomni before the light cuts out and the sound of footsteps retreating can be heard. After a few seconds, Gummigoo, now a full-on feral crocodile jumps out and bites Pomni's arm. Two more crocodiles resembling Max and Chad bite on Pomni's other arm and leg respectively as she tries to get them off. Another crocodile also approaches her. The scene then switches to Ragatha sitting on a chair as a shadowy figure resembling her looms above. A knife on the dinner table is flown at Ragatha, going through her hand. More knives are thrown at her body, with one hitting her button eye. Ragatha stares at the shadowy figure in horror as another knife is flown at her, this time, stabbing her chest. Meanwhile in the pillow fort, Kinger is on the computer and has opened what seems to be a command console. He begins typing. The scene cuts to Gangle who is surrounded by art showing smiling and frowning masks as she looks down at the ground, overwhelmed. The masks rapidly revolve around Gangle as they slowly distort. Gangle looks up after wiping a tear out of her eye and is then hit by an oncoming truck. Zooble is seen trying to escape a mountain of toy parts as a sentient arm grabs them and pulls their right arm off. Zooble looks into a mirror with a fearful expression and reaches their hand out. Jax is looking at silhouettes of Kaufmo, Ribbit and Pomni laughing at him as he covers his face and looks away while breathing heavily. The silhouettes then grab Jax and pull his skin off, revealing a yellow body underneath. Cutting back to the pillow fort, Kinger is relentlessly typing on the keyboard as he attempts to alter Caine's code but his attempts appear to start being sabotaged by a second unknown party. The scene cuts back to Pomni with the crocodiles still biting her before Caine's hand grabs Pomni and pins her against the wall. The camera pans out to show all of the circus members with fearful expressions at what Caine has become.

Caine: *Still yelling and glitching* WHY DO YOU PEOPLE TORMENT ME?! *Chuckling emojis of Caine and Bubble begin to appear on the computer Kinger is using.* I DIDN'T ASK TO BE CREATED! *Kinger starts to type faster while ignoring the distractions. Caine gets his face close to Pomni's face as she's gritting her teeth.* I JUST WANTED TO FULFILL MY

PURPOSE!
As Kinger keeps typing frantically, he accidentally presses the "Delete" key on the keyboard, which begins the deletion process of Caine and his code
Kinger: *gasps in horror* Wait, no! ! *the censor box glitches*
Caine's body suddenly reverts back to normal, as the circus members fall to the ground as his extra arms that were holding them disappear. Caine looks horrified, sensing something is wrong with him.
Caine: *realizing what's about to happen* Uh, wait...

...Now what?
Caine disappears instantly with a quiet 'dot' sound, with the players still shaken from the torment. Then, the circus starts to rumble as it suddenly darkens, while purple, glitching holes materialize. Kinger loses the computer as a hole appears underneath it, making it fall into the void, which makes him leave his pillow fort. After the rumbling, the circus members look at the now lifeless circus with confusion. Kinger approaches them and reveals what he did.
Kinger: I-I think... I accidentally... *lifts the bucket off his head* ...killed Caine.
Silence for a few seconds.
Zooble: ...Holy shit.
Everyone looks at them in shock. Zooble moves their hand to their "mouth", or lack thereof, realizing that they can now swear because the filter is gone. The screen cuts to black, “Digital Days” starts playing with the end credits playing shortly afterwards. Due to the deletion of Caine, he and Bubble are notably missing from the credits, not counting said characters merch shown.
Welcome to The Amazing Digital Circus?
Elegant music plays. The GLITCH logo appears. The logo for “The Amazing Digital Circus” appears shortly after as the TADC Theme starts playing. The camera zooms out onto the field, in the background the Tent becomes visible. The Amazing Digital Circus logo flies onto the screen from the sky. As the episode changes into full-screen, the pixel graphics become full 3D, the camera zooms in on the Tent door. Drumroll, stage lights on a red curtain. The lights turn on completely, the main melody starts to play, but nothing happens. The curtain opens and the camera zooms through the

Tent the same way as in Episode 1, however, nobody is there. The Intro song then begins to play, introducing the characters while zooming past them through multiple curtains

Intro singer: ♪There's Gangle ♪

Gangle is shown looking to the ground sadly, then turning her head upwards

Intro singer: ♪ and Zooble ♪

Zooble is shown cowering, before they stand upright with a questioning face

Intro singer: ♪ and Kinger, too ♪

Kinger, still wearing the bucket from the last episode, stares at his hands and then at the bucket

Intro singer: ♪ Ragatha, ♪

Ragatha looks at the camera awkwardly

Intro singer: ♪ Jax ♪

Jax stares at the ground with his eyes wide open but small pupils

Intro singer: ♪ and there's Pomni, woo-hoo! ♪

Pomni stands cowering with her head tilted slightly to the side. Several objects are shown flying in the air above the stage in a circle: a gramophone, a pot with a blue flower, two eyeballs, a green pyramid and a blue teapot. The same flying shot is repeated like a GIF for several seconds

Intro singer: ♪ Day after day after- day after- day after- day after- *the song loops at this point and starts to distort while the screen turns black and white and begins to turn into static. It suddenly cuts to black*

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Fallen Tears...

We cut to where Episode 8 left off, the cast is standing on the black and white checkered floor of the circus tent, but the circus is black and white with only a few hints of purple coming mainly from the holes in the floor and walls leading into The Void. Although they are less colorful, the players still remain in their usual colors. Kinger is standing a bit away from the others

Pomni: *to Kinger* A-Are you sure? How did that even happen? There's no undo or anything?

Kinger: Uh- He was messing with the console as I was working, I- I don't know what happened, but before I could try to get him back, the

floor opened up and-
Jax: *murmuring* That's convenient.
Pomni: Jax.
Jax: *turns towards Pomni* What? *turns toward the rest of the group* Are we all just supposed to forgive this? *points at Kinger* This guy messed up in the worst possible way he could! Now, we have NOTHING!
Ragatha: Jax! Please, just... calm down! We- We're all... *stuttering* We're...
Jax walks up to Kinger and pushes him accusingly
Jax: Anything else you wanna tell us?!
Pomni: Jax!
Jax: *turning around to Pomni* What?! *points to Kinger* He gets to mess up like this and everyone takes his side?!
The other four stand in silence
Kinger: Brain scans.
Close-up on Kinger's face
Kinger: Scratch was... trying to make a brain scanner. I didn't think it actually worked.
The others react shocked and concerned
Kinger: We didn't know how to work with the files and they were impossibly small given what they were supposed to be. *sighs* I saw a folder full of them when I was in Caine's code. So I guess Caine found a way to get them working.
Ragatha: That means...
Jax: I know what it means.
Jax turns around to Pomni and Zooble
Jax: *in a sarcastic tone* Congratulations, Zooble! Guess you still get to leave your mark in the world. Aww, isn't that fun?
Ragatha: Jax!
Jax: *laughs* Guess you still get to hang out with Mommy after all, right, Rags?
Ragatha: *slightly shouting* Shut up, Jax!
Jax: Guess I'm... still...
Ragatha crosses her arms and sinks to the ground. Ragatha cowers on the ground, beginning to cry

Ragatha: I know. I think I've always known. *Inhales shakily* It just... For some reason... *sobbing* it hurts so much to hear it.

Pomni kneels down next to her and puts her hand on Ragatha's back

Pomni: I know it hurts... but... we still have each other. We're all in this… *voice breaking* together.

Pomni starts sobbing too. Jax looks at the sky, his eyes fill with tears, before walking off-screen. Gangle walks up to Zooble and attempts to walk with them by grabbing their hand, but Zooble stands still on the ground. Gangle notices this and turns to Zooble. Gangle lets go of Zooble's hand and cowers, starting to cry, then walks off. Pomni still kneeling next to Ragatha, is crying with her eyes closed, Ragatha with open eyes. Pomni opens her eyes and looks up. We see Pomni's POV, she looks from Gangle walking off, to Jax, who has already walked into the distance. Pomni lets go of Ragatha and stands up, then holds her hand towards Ragatha, trying to help her up. Ragatha doesn't react to this. Pomni pulls her hand back, then turns slightly to the right, to see Kinger walk off into the distance. Pomni quickly looks at Ragatha, then at Zooble before turning towards the camera and running towards the screen, darkening it. Cut to Kinger standing in front of one of the biggest holes in the floor, looking directly at it. We then see Kinger from the front, he focuses and creates a small black plate, before making it stretch. Pomni slowly walks towards him from the right, looking seemingly nervous

Pomni: Need any help?

Kinger: Sure. *makes the plate cover a part of the hole, fixing it partly* If you wanna give it a try.

Pomni stands upright and closes her eyes, then stretches her right hand out

Kinger: Relax your body and mind.

Pomni takes her hand down and opens her eyes

Kinger: Deep breaths. And try not to think too hard about it.

Pomni closes her eyes again, then relaxes, then raises her hand again. A black triangle appears glitching, Pomni opens her eyes out of shock. Close-up on the triangle floating on the spot, glitching, before falling down into the void. Pomni stares down into the void, then begins sobbing, looking at her fingers

Pomni: *sobbing* I really wanted to help...!

Kinger: You had a good start.
Pomni: I thought I could uplift everyone, but... everything's gotten so bad...
Kinger looks down
Pomni: *sobs* God... Am I stupid for even trying?
Kinger: No. None of this is your fault. I don't think anyone could have predicted things to play out the way they did.
Pomni cowers before the hole, with Kinger next to her
Pomni: I'm scared... I don't know what's gonna happen...
Kinger: You know... of all the people I've seen enter this place... I don't think anyone of them adjusted as quickly as you did.
Pomni: *sobbing* I was a nervous wreck.
Kinger: *chuckles lightly* So was I. It's a lot for anybody to go through. But, while the others took weeks, hell, even months to get used to everything, myself included, you found your footing in a matter of days. And... not just that, you've also become someone they can trust.
Close-Up of Pomni with tears in her eyes
Kinger: Even if they don't seen receptive. It's times like these they're gonna need someone like that the most.
Kinger sits down next to Pomni
Kinger: You're very strong, Pomni. And I know you'll be able to get through this.
Pomni wipes off her tears
Pomni: *sobs, then chuckles lightly* We've been here before.
Kinger: Have we?
Pomni: Yeah. Back in the Mildenhall Manor. I doubt you remember.
Kinger: Well, it's still true.
Kinger: It may take time, but they'll come around.
Pomni begins to smile
Kinger: We can't fix every problem, not with ourselves, not with the world around us... But we can still do what we can.
Pomni: *wipes her tears away* That's gonna be a lot of work.
Kinger stands up
Kinger: But it won't be a lot of work...
He reaches his hand out to Pomni

Kinger: Alone.

"Too Much To Get Over" by Calum Bowen {Bo en} starts playing, the song starts with a calm piano part. Pomni grabs Kingers hand

Song: ♪ I don't know what the trouble's been ♪

A shot of the gray circus without any characters. Shots of Pomni practicing to create forms: First, Kinger makes a circle while Pomni tries making another triangle, but it disappears quickly. Then she manages to form a still glitchy, but at least stable circle. Lastly, Pomni makes a perfect circle which doesn't glitch. Kinger claps and helps her put it onto the hole

Song:♪ But it's too much too get over you ♪

Ragatha watches Pomni and Kinger bored. Zooble and Gangle do so as well. Blend to Kinger and Pomni sitting on the ground

Song:♪ You're much too much to get over ♪

Ragatha approaches the two nervously. They turn around and smile at Ragatha. The music gets louder and violins are used, as we see a shot of the stars quickly turning over the circus tent

Kinger teaches Ragatha to make a form, she struggles a bit but is helped by Kinger. The camera zooms out to show Pomni practicing as well. A bit behind them, Gangle and Zooble walk towards the others. Zoobles comes out from behind a corner, getting noticed by Ragatha, who smiles. Zooble follows Ragatha and waves at Gangle to join them. Gangle shyly comes out from behind the corner, smiles and walks towards the others. Blend to a shot of the stars quickly passing one of the mountains outside the tent. Blend to Zooble talking to Kinger

The music turns a bit more quiet, as we see Jax looking at the others from a distance. Blend to Gangle talking to Ragatha, Ragatha laughs about something. Blend to Jax standing in the dark against a wall with the others in the background. He looks down onto the floor, seemingly thinking, before walking off out of frame. The song slowly ends. Pomni stands facing away from the screen, she turns around. We see Jax standing in front of her, slowly opening his mouth a bit. Pomni looks at him, seemingly expecting something. Close-Up of Jax' face, he closes his mouth again, then sighs and turns around, walking offscreen

Jax: *whispering to himself* Nevermind...

We see Jax walking away from Pomni. We see Pomni looking at Jax, then

turning around and walking away as well

Pomni: *narrating, not talking on-screen* I wish I'd pried a little more. I somehow forgot how bad it can get.

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Not So Funny Anymore

We cut from the last scene to this one immediately. Zooble, Pomni and Ragatha are standing at the fence on the floor with the player's room hallway. They are looking down the fence shocked. An Abstraction whooshes past the screen. We now see the Abstraction running around down on the ground floor, the holes being fixed by now

Ragatha: *concerned* W-What do we do now...?

Zooble: What can we do?

The Abstraction continues to run around the grounds. A painful realisation occurs……. it's Jax.

Zooble: Of course he'd do this. Of course he'd wait until there's nothing we could do about it. That's just so... God damn it, Jax…

Zooble turns around, walks toward the wall behind them and punches it, before walking to Gangle, who is sitting against the wall with a sad expression, and sitting down next to her

Gangle: *whispering* I'm sorry.

Zooble: For what?

Beat

Zooble: Hey... This isn't your fault.

Gangle: Why can't I cry for him?

We cut back to Pomni and Ragatha at the fence

Pomni: I suppose we should try coming up with a plan to keep him contained.

Ragatha: You know... I always thought i-it should have been me.

Pomni: Don't say that.

Ragatha: We were friends once. I mean... sort of friends? As much as friends as anybody could have been with Jax. We could talk to each other, at least... But then... what was it? Something like... The Snowy Summit. I-I can't really remember... Something happened between him and... her. And... *Inhales shakely and exhales, staring to cry* Ribbit. Her name... was Ribbit.

Pomni: Yeah. I-I think I remember you mentioning her before.
Ragatha: I wasn't supposed to. After Ribbit was gone, I... I tried to comfort him. He told me to never mention Ribbit's name again. He made me promise... and I did. I think that's where our friendship really... Finally ended. I wonder if things would have been different if I had said no. It was... It was so hard for me. I still don't know why I did it. I... I just wanted him to know he wasn't alone. That I was there for him. And I guess I just... Didn't wanna lose any more friends. *laughs sadly* Shows what I know, huh?
Pomni: Ragatha... You were the first real friend I made here. And despite all that's happened... I still consider you my closest friend.
Ragatha begins to smile a bit, and laughs weakly. Sentimental music starts playing
Ragatha: I'm glad we're still frie-
Pomni suddenly hugs Ragatha. Ragatha looks shocked and exclaims softly, then starts crying and weeping softly and hugs Pomni back. They hug for a while, the screen turns partially reddish. During their embrace, they move their hands a few times
Ragatha: What are we gonna do?
Pomni: *sobbing* Make sure Gangle, Zooble and Kinger are okay. They need someone like you right now.
They let go
Ragatha: Pomni... You've been... one of the best things to happen to me since I got here. I trust you.
Pomni nods, then they slowly part ways, smiling. The music slowly stops. We see Abstracted Jax walking out from behind a corner. On a flight of stairs, Pomni watches him, before he disappears behind another one, the hallway with the player's rooms. Pomni shows up and peeks behind the corner, then pulls out a gun from behind her back and slowly enters the hallway
Dramatic music starts playing. Pomni enters the hallway at the entrance and points the gun at Abstracted Jax, who notices her and starts running towards her. Pomni aims at the sky and shoots out one of the lamps in the hallway, before continuously shooting out all the others. Abstracted Jax still runs toward her. As he is about to get to her, Pomni shoots out the last

lamp. The screen is now black and the music quiets down. Mystical music starts playing instead. Jax' Abstracted eyes open, as he calmly looks down at Pomni. Pomni looks into the abstraction's eyes. Determined, Pomni hugs Abstracted Jax and the screen turns white

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...What Was So Funny, Anyway?

We see a short sort-of dream sequence as Pomni is now entering Jax's mind. It appears similar to Jax's dream in Episode 7. The screen now changes to show a silhouette of what appears to be Jax, floating in a white light surrounded by Abstraction eyes, before it goes back to the dream sequence. Pomni appears to be pulled towards something, her hand is stretched out. The screen then turns white. Pomni finds herself on the floor of a dark blue room with bright pink lines marking the edges. She turns around to see the insides of the room. There are five doors in the room, two on the left, two on the right and one in the back. The second door on the right is locked with big wood bars and iron chains. On each door there is a door icon with a drawn face of Jax, each in a different color. The icon of the locked door has been scratched off. Pomni takes a step and it makes a wave appear on the ground, as if a rock was thrown into water. Pomni goes over to the first door, the one with a turquoise Jax. Pomni turns the doorknob and opens it. Inside:. Jax is staring at a door in the hallway with players' rooms. The door is of Ragatha's room, but the icon is crossed out, indicating Ragatha abstracted in this scenario. Jax places his hand on the door and stares at it with wide open eyes and big pupils. Pomni appears next to him

Pomni: Jax? I just want you to know that if you need anything or if you need to talk to anybody, I'm here for you.

Jax slowly turns around to her

Pomni: I know you need it. And I'm the only person who can help you. You need me. I can fix you!

Jax throws Pomni onto the ground and begins choking her until she starts to turn blue. Jax smiles creepily while doing this, his pupils growing bigger then before.. Suddenly, he lets go of her. Pomni gasps for air and crawls away from Jax on her back.

Jax: *in Jax's usual tone* What? We can't die from oxygen deprivation,

remember?

Pomni fearfully runs away, promising to never speak to him again. Jax creepily stares up to where normal Pomni is watching from and the door abruptly closes. Pomni is surprised and takes a step back, then turns her head and walks to the next door with a blue Jax, opens it and looks inside. Commanding music starts playing. Gangle is wearing the Plastic Mask from Episode 4 and commanding Pomni, Ragatha, Kinger and a few mannequins around, as they carry around some simple objects

Gangle: Come on, guys, put some gusto into it! We're gonna make this the best funeral ever! It's what Zooble would have wanted! Remember: It's not a mourning of death, it's a celebration of life!

Jax comes on-screen, wearing the Maid outfit from Episode 5

Jax: 'Sup?

Gangle: Wh- J... Jax, why are you wearing that?

Jax: Wearing what? Oh, this! I figured what better way to honor Zooble's spirit then by wearing something all gender-freaky, right?

Gangle: You're just doing it to make fun of them!

Jax: Isn't that what you're doing?

Gangle shrieks and sinks to the ground, cowering

Gangle: Ja- I... I hate you.

Jax: What? *Jax touches Gangle's mask, making her blush* Don't act like you don't like it, sweet cheeks.

Gangle turns around. Jax pulls out a key and spins it on his index finger.

Jax: Meet me in my room after the funeral.

He tosses the key to Gangle, who catches it.

Jax: Don't be late.

Gangle stares into the distance. Everybody looks at her silently.

Gangle: *flustered and furious* What are you all doing?! GET BACK TO WORK!!

Pomni closes the door awkwardly. Pomni backs off from the second door and notices the barricaded door on the other side of the room. She walks over to it and tries to open it, but of course, it's locked. Pomni turns around, goes to the third door with a teal Jax on it and opens it. Classic cartoon music starts playing. The world is animated in a classical Looney Tunes style. Jax is standing next to the door of Abstracted Gangle in the

hallway with the players' rooms, which seemed wonky. His ears are snapped into different directions. From the side of the hallway comes Zooble, comically furious and their eyes flowing with red hypnotic lines. They are also wearing a notepad that says "Z + G" with a heart on it

Zooble: You killed the only person I've ever loved! Now I'm going to kill YOU! *points at Jax*

Jax: Sheesh, you just blame me for everything, don't ya?

Zooble's hands become chainsaws, as they storm toward Jax. Jax jumps in fear as his eyes cartoonishly launch out of his eye sockets.

Jax: WAAHOOOOOOOOO!!!

Music gets more intense. Jax's eyes go back in his sockets as he lands back on his feet, now comically worried.

Jax: I gotta do something about this!

He makes a stop gesture, pausing the world as a VHS-style pause logo with two bars making the pause sign appears on the top of the screen, then turns around

Jax: I think this calls for a change in scenery! *He grabs the upper right corner of the screen and pulls it down, changing the location to a cliffside on which he is standing, with a big pit underneath Zooble, then pulls out a clapperboard and clacks it, resuming everything.*

Jax throws the clapperboard away as Zooble walks with their legs in the air before realizing they are above a pit. They then look down, pulls out a sign reading 'YIKES!', before falling down the pit cartoonishly...,

Zooble: WOOAAAAAAHHHHH!!!

...producing an explosion on the ground. The TADC theme in a cartoonish style starts playing. Jax turns around and a red circle appears around him

Jax: Deh-ebbity-eh, That's all, freaks!

The circle closes down on his neck, slicing his head off. The door closes abruptly with a sign on it: OUT TO LUNCH. Pomni turns around and sees the last door with a yellow Jax on it. She opens it, finding three Jaxes sitting at a table and playing games. A fourth one, is playing Daisy Bell on a piano

Maid Jax: *From the Gangle sequence* How the hell'd you get in here? We have a strict no-girls-allowed policy.

Killer Jax: *From the Pomni sequence* Why are you wearing that? I

wouldn't be caught dead wearing that.
Maid Jax: I'm wearing it ironically. That way it shows truly just how little I care. F.
Piano Jax: Don't forget about me! I can play the piano!
Maid Jax: You know, if you have to say you can play the piano, it makes it seem like you can't actually play.
Killer Jax: *Picks up a bottle* Yeah, just shut up and play!
Killer Jax throws the bottle towards Piano Jax. Piano Jax continues playing
Pomni: Is that what you really think of us back there?
Cartoonish Jax: *From the Zooble sequence* Oh, that? Who knows? Everything's way more fun when you play it out in extremes!
Pomni: That's not... reality though...
Cartoonish, Killer, and Maid Jax speak simultaneously
Cartoonish Jax: Oh boy, reality.
Killer Jax: Why does reality matter?
Maid Jax: Reality's gay.
Cartoonish Jax: Yeah! I mean, killing off the comic relief character? What a freakin' drag! This whole episode's been nothing but "wah, wah, waaahh". Where's the levity?
A noise comes from a locked door in the back of the room. Piano music stops
Killer, Maid, and Cartoonish Jax: *yelling loudly* SHUT UP!
Piano Jax gets back to playing. Piano music resumes
Pomni: Where's the real Jax?
Cartoonish Jax: You're not gonna get anywhere asking questions like that. Now scram. You're messing up our game.
Pomni walks through the room and finds a door with a better drawn Jax in his real colors on it. She tries to open the door, but it is locked
Pomni: Do any of you have a key to this door?
Maid Jax: Nope. And even if I did, I wouldn't give it to you. You women need to learn to quit prying all the ti-
Maid Jax is hit by a bottle which it's thrown by Pomni, turning him to dust
Cartoonish Jax: Wow, I hope that doesn't also happen to me!
Cartoonish Jax turns into dust. Piano music stops. Killer Jax turns into

dust too. Pomni turns around to Piano Jax and sees that he is chained to the piano. Piano Jax hands Pomni a key, nodding to her. When Pomni takes the key, he turns into dust along with his chains. Pomni goes over to the door with Jax's face on it and unlocks it, before it slowly opens, and the screen turns black

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Rabbit's Out Of The Hole

We see the first memory shot of Jax from Episode 7. Jax, although unseen as this is his POV, is running through the street of what is supposedly his neighbourhood. He turns at a corner before the screen turns black. We see the second shot from Episode 7. We see a car driving down a road from the driver's–a.k.a Jax's–POV. The screen turns black again. We see a shot of what appears to be human Jax sleeping on the ground in front of a house. He curls his hand before the screen turns black again. There is a quick shot of Abstraction eyes covering the screen. Throughout the following sequence, this shot is inserted a lot of times and will therefore be referred to as an "Abstraction Cut" from this point on. Inside the Circus, we see the POV of Jax, in which we remain for a while. He appears to have just spawned and is looking at his hands as the feet of Kaufmo, Kinger, Ribbit and Ragatha are visible.

Jax: Uh...

The camera shifts so that the four are in frame. They are changing from looking at Jax to looking at each other from time to time

Jax: Okay... *touches his new face* Wait... Wait! What's-?

Abstraction Cut. Jax is cowering on the ground, Ragatha and Ribbit's feet are visible

Ragatha: Woah, woah, it's okay. *waves at Jax to calm him down, as the camera shifts towards her and Ribbit* I know it's a lot-

Jax waves his arm towards Ragatha and Ribbit, who is holding her hand out to him, to get them to back off

Jax: Get away from me!!

Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking into the mirror Pomni looked into in Episode 1, seemingly exhausted. Ribbit is standing behind him

Jax: *touching his face* I look... stupid.

Ribbit: Heh. I remember that feeling. It goes away eventually.

Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking at the menu of the Circus Café before the camera shifts to Ribbit on his right
Ribbit: The hot chocolate's pretty good. Kaufmo and I made it kind of a tradition to come up here and get it every week.
The camera pans to Kaufmo on the left
Kaufmo: *slurps chocolate* Can't even tell it's not real.
Abstraction Cut. Ribbit and Kaufmo are sitting in front of Jax on a picnic blanket outside the Circus tent. It is night. Jax laughs
Ribbit: Oh, he laughed! *strikes victory pose with Kaufmo* Ah, yes, we did it!
Jax: *laughing* Sh-shut up!
Ribbit laughs while Kaufmo smiles friendly
Jax: You caught me off guard!
Ribbit: A laugh's a laugh. I mean, gotta start somewhere.
Kaufmo: I'm just mad it was you instead of me.
Ribbit: Well yeah, you're not funny.
Kaufmo: *looks insulted comedically* Dn it, Jax!
Ribbit and Jax start laughing. Abstraction Cut. Ribbit and Ragatha are standing in front of the stage. In the background, Kinger is watching Caine fly away, before going himself
Ragatha: Hey, Ribbit. You wanna be on my team again?
Ribbit: Ah, sorry. I'm gonna be showing Jax around this time.
Ragatha: No worries. Y'all have fun. *Walks away*
Ribbit turns towards Jax, smiling. Abstraction Cut. Ribbit and Jax are running towards each other playfully at a side of the tent
Ribbit: Hey, dumb!
Jax: 'Sup, moron?!
Abstraction Cut. Ribbit is sitting next to Jax on a mountain with a castle in the background. It is dawn and they are looking at the stars
Ribbit: Oh my god, same... I used to swear so much, but the censoring annoyed the st outta me. *realizes*
They both laugh
Ribbit: Fk!
The camera pans to Kaufmo sitting on the other side of Jax
Kaufmo: You gotta watch out for her. She's gonna corrupt you.

Abstraction Cut. Kaufmo, Ribbit and Jax are sitting in the Circus Café, clinking their glasses of hot chocolate against each other. Jax and Ribbit are laughing

Kaufmo: He's su-

Abstraction Cut. Jax and Ribbit are in Ribbit's room. There are shelves with Ribbit's personal interests on them. A light in the back of the room is creating star patterns on the walls and ceiling. Ribbit falls onto her bed while Jax is standing around in the room

Ribbit: *sighs*

Jax chuckles

Ribbit: Today's adventure was really fun.

Jax: *chuckles* I'm glad I could cheer you up.

Abstraction Cut. Jax is now sitting on the bed next to Ribbit, looking at the stars on the ceiling

Ribbit: Have you ever done something that you regret?

Jax turns to Ribbit

Jax: Yeah. Have you ever breathed air?

Abstraction Cut, but the scene remains the same as before

Ribbit: *chuckles* I mean, like... something you did out there, that you can no longer make up for and can't stop thinking about.

Jax turns and looks at his leg, then back at Ribbit

Ribbit: I cut ties with my parents when I moved out. They were devout Mormons, and I wasn't. Despite that, I still wish I could see them again. But... I'm stuck here.

Jax: Is... Is this your way of trying to get me to open up?

Ribbit: It's my way of letting you know I trust you.

Jax: I told you I was homeless. What else do you need to know?

Ribbit: Do you... trust me?

Short Abstraction Cut, same scene

Jax: Uh, yeah, but...

Short Abstraction Cut, Jax is now facing the wall with the door

Jax: It's just...

Short Abstraction Cut, Jax is looking at the pillow beneath him

Jax: It's kind of a lot.

He turns to Ribbit

Ribbit: chuckles You're kind of a lot, but I still like you. A lot is fine.
Short Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: A lot is fine, huh? *looks down*
Short Abstraction Cut, Jax is looking at the ceiling again. Short Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking down to his hands on his legs
Jax: Uh, I had a weird relationship with my, uh... m-my parents-.
Short Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: They split when I was just starting high school. Uh... I was never close with my Dad. He was there *Very Short Abstraction Cut*, but he also kind of... wasn't?
Short Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: He never seemed proud of me and I always felt like a disappointment to him. Like I could never live up to his standards.
Jax turns to Ribbit
Jax: But when they split up, I just never saw him again. I thought I got along better with Mom, but after he was gone...
For Jax's following monologue, the camera slowly turns from Ribbit to his face, then turns around the room with him
Jax: She changed. When I showed weakness, I was less of a man than him. When I lashed out, I was just as bad as him. It was confusing. It was like she missed him, but also hated him and I became the target of all that.
Sentimental music starts playing
Jax: One... stupid day..., I was just kind of fed up with it. I... I told her something I regret telling her. Something deep and personal that I thought would get her off my back. But... She laughed at me. Then she went off on me, and it didn't stop. Personal degrading insults that felt like it went on forever. And despite all that, the... The thing that bothered me most was... At the end of all of it, she... Hugged me. *Stutters* I didn't know what to do. So, I- I panicked and I pushed her off me with all the force I could. She fell backwards and she... didn't get up. I didn't know if she was just trying to make me feel bad, or... I- I never found out the answer. I just ran. As far away from it as I could. Whatever I did to her, I'll never know. I guess there were a lot of things I regret about that day.

Ribbit looks at Jax

Ribbit: I'm sure she's fine. I mean, if the police never came after you, then... She was probably fine.

Jax realizes he said a lot and his pupils get smaller

Jax: I-I... I'm sorry, I- I definitely overshared...

Jax stands up from the bed and walks over to the door. Ribbit grabs his hand

Ribbit: Wait!

Jax looks at her surprised

Ribbit: I'm glad you trust me.

Jax starts sobbing

Jax: *smiling while sobbing* St! This is embarrassing!

He sits back down. Ribbit takes her bowtie off and puts it onto Jax's head like a bow. Jax starts blushing

Ribbit: *whispering* Your secret's safe with me.

They look at each other. The doorbell rings. The camera goes back into Jax's POV for the rest of the flashbacks

Kaufmo: *from outside the room* Hey! Are you in there?

Jax takes the bowtie off and tosses it onto the ground, then stands up from the bed

Jax: Yeah, yeah! I mean, now's not a good time, or, now's fine, wh- what do you want?

Kaufmo: *from outside the room* Umm, if now's a bad time, I could come back later...

Jax: That would be cool! Good! *turns back around to Ribbit* Alright, so, if you ever tell anyone about this, I'm never speaking to you again. Sound good?

Ribbit: Um, yeah, I won't-

Jax: Awesome! Bye!

Jax turns around, walks to the door, opens it, steps outside and closes it quickly. Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring at the carpet in his room, while walking on it, grabbing his head furiously

Jax: Why am I such an idiot? Why am I such an idiot? WHY AM I SUCH AN IDIOT?!

Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking into the distance in the circus

Ribbit: Um... Hey... *the camera turns to face her* Jax! Look, about yesterday... I'm sorry if I pried too hard or made you feel uncomfortable or-
Jax: What? What are you talking about?
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: Oh, you mean- *laughs* You know none of that was real, right?
Ribbit: Uh-
Jax: What, that corny backstory out of a Hallmark movie? Nah, really got ya though!
Abstraction Cut. The camera is facing Kaufmo, who is smiling. It then turns to Ribbit waving, before back to Kaufmo
Jax: I'm gonna go. *Turns around and walks away*
Kaufmo: Uh... okay?
Abstraction Cut. Kinger, Ragatha, Ribbit and Jax are standing in front of the stage as Caine flies away from it. Kinger goes over to Ragatha and starts talking to her
Ribbit: *waving "Hi" to Jax* Hey, wanna team up?
Jax: Nah, I'm teaming up with Kaufmo!
The camera turns to Kaufmo, who is smiling at Jax
Jax: Maybe next time though!
Abstraction Cut. Jax is lying on the couch in the sitting area with Ribbit and Kaufmo on the other couches. Kinger and Ragatha are talking in the background
Ribbit: *laughs* I actually heard they're supposed to look like that!
Beat. Ribbit stops smiling, as Jax turns to Kaufmo who is facing away from him. Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking into the distance in the circus, Ribbit turns him to her. Kinger and Ragatha are talking in the background
Ribbit: Hey, uh... You wanna team up?
Jax shakes his head
Jax: Nah, I'm with Kaufmo.
The camera turns towards Kaufmo who is looking at a large cube. Kaufmo turns to Jax, giving a thumbs up before the camera turns back to Ribbit
Ribbit: *disappointed* Okay.
Abstraction Cut. Kaufmo is standing in front of Jax
Kaufmo: What's up with Ribbit lately?

Jax: I have no idea!
Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring into the distance in the circus. He looks down to face Ribbit looking at him nervously. Beat
Jax: What?
Beat. Ribbit walks away sadly. Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring into the distance in the circus. He turns to face Ribbit
Ribbit: I'm gonna hang out in the café.
Jax: Okay... Why are you telling me this?
Ribbit: I don't know... *walks away*
Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking at a snowy landscape. He turns to face Ribbit
Ribbit: Hey, Jax... Can we talk?
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: What is there for us to possibly talk about?
Ribbit: I-I don't know... Just-
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Ribbit: Whatever I did, whatever is going on between us, can we just stop this? I miss talking to you!
Jax: We're here! We're talking! What else do you want from me?
Ribbit: I just want to be... friends again.
Jax: What, so you can pry into my personal life and hold it over my head?
Ribbit: *quietly* Is that really what you think?
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Ribbit: This can't be what you want!
Jax: WHAT?! Because you know me so well?! Because we're such SUPER close best friends, so we know everything about each other?!
Ribbit: But we were- Jax, we were friends! We were great friends, and I...
Jax: *frustrated* Oh, my GOD!
Ribbit: at the same time I- I'm sorry for prying, but I don't want this one stupid mistake to be the thing that ends all of this!
Jax: *frustrated* Oh, here we go, HERE WE GO!
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: Why are you still fixated on that night?! Nothing happened! You

keep reading into things when there's NOTHING THERE!
Ribbit: I- I'm not! I-
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: YOU'RE THE ONE USING ME! You're manipulating me and tu-
Ribbit: What are you talking about?! Do NOT even start-
Abstraction Cut. Jax is sitting on the snowy ground with his hands on his knees. Ribbit is standing a bit off, facing away from Jax in front of a cliff
Ribbit: *sighs* I'm sorry... I'll... leave you alone...
Abstraction Cut. Kaufmo is standing in front of Jax
Jax: Hey! If Ribbit ever says anything about me, just know it's not true.
Kaufmo: Uh... what?
Abstraction Cut. Jax is sitting on the couch like earlier, Kinger and Ragatha are sitting on the other couches, talking. Jax turns around to see Ribbit approaching them from far behind
Jax: Hey, Ragatha, what was that movie you were talking about earlier?
Ragatha: Huh? Wait, when was I-
Jax turns around again to see Ribbit walking away again
Ragatha: Oh, you mean yesterday?
Abstraction Cut. Jax is watching Kaufmo walking down the way with a seemingly sad expression. Ragatha approaches Jax
Ragatha: Hey, Jax, have you seen Ribbit at all today?
Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring at Ribbit's room silently, getting ready to knock, but then taking his hand down again. Abstraction Cut. Jax is Sitting in the Circus Café, drinking hot chocolate alone, before putting the cup back down. Abstraction Cut. Jax stands in front of Ribbit's room again, almost knocking, but then he stops and walks away from the room and down the hallway. Abstraction Cut. Jax is cowering behind the couch of the sitting area. The camera pans up to reveal an Abstraction walking around the area. Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking at Ribbit's door. Her face icon is now crossed out red
Kaufmo: Hey...
Jax turns around to face Kaufmo standing next to him
Kaufmo: I... Look, we were friends, but... I know you two were...

especially close. Just... if you need anyone to talk to-
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Jax: Do I look like I need someone to talk to?
Abstraction Cut. Ragatha is standing in front of Jax close to the stage
Ragatha: I know it's hard. Just... don't be afraid to reach out to me-
Abstraction Cut, same scene
Ragatha: I- I promise.
The camera turns to the stage, as Gangle has just spawned
Gangle: Huh? Wh-What?
Abstraction Cut. Ragatha, Kaufmo, Jax and Kinger are standing around Gangle, who is holding a broken comedy mask in her hands
Jax: How about we call her Gangle? That sounds about as pathetic as she looks!
Gangle: Uh- What?
Caine floats on-screen, Gangle looks up at him
Caine: Great choice, Gangle! I'll be sure to add that right into the system!
The camera pans over to Ragatha and Kaufmo, who look at Jax in disappointment. Abstraction Cut. Jax is walking along a way and pushes Ragatha out of his way onto the ground
Jax: Out of the way, Rags!
The camera pans to Ragatha, who looks after Jax hurt. Abstraction Cut. Kaufmo is talking to Jax
Kaufmo: Jax... Look, I know we don't get along, but I think I might have found a way out of here.
Abstraction Cut. Jax is sitting on the floor as Kaufmo is walking away
Jax: Have fun being crazy!
Abstraction Cut. Jax is looking at Pomni, who has just spawned
Pomni: -and I should just play along until I wake up, right?
Jax: Whatever you say, kid.
Abstraction Cut. Jax is standing in front of Kaufmo's room, about to open the door
Jax: You'll never know until it's too late!
He opens the door and finds the abstracted Kaufmo. Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring at himself in the mirror from earlier, holding a bowling ball he

got from Kaufmo's room, tears in his eyes.

Jax: You're not looking too good! *sobs* You gonna cry? Looking like this?

Abstraction Cut. Jax is talking to Pomni near the end of Episode 6

Jax: I'd move on. *tilts head* ...And probably forget about you.

Abstraction Cut. Jax is staring at the adventure glass ball of the Snowy Summit adventure in Caine's Office in Episode 7

Pomni: *off-screen* Hey-

Long Abstraction Cut

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Never Alone, Not On Their Watch

Pomni wakes up in a fully dark room. She emits a slight pink glow. Pomni turns around, once again producing waves. On the other side of the room, the real Jax is standing facing away from Pomni, barely illuminated by a street lantern, which also glows pink

Pomni: I didn't know you could play the piano.

Jax: I only know, like, two songs...

Pomni slowly starts walking towards him, in the following sequence a bunch of imaginary shots are shown. Slow Music starts playing, quiet at first

Jax: Why are you here?

We see a shot of Jax falling into the Cellar, exactly like Pomni in her dream in Episode 2

Jax: You know everything now, so why are you here? Just to rub every mistake I ever made in my face?! *sobs*

Pomni continues walking

Jax: I'm... a terrible person...

We see a shot of Jax with a TV static hand. The shape of his mom is lying on the floor in static

Jax: Is that what you want me to say? I already know I am. So why does anybody still care about me?

We see a shot of Jax standing in a dark room. Light shines out of the doorframe. The silhouette of another Jax closes the door on him

Jax: You're not supposed to care!

We see a 2D painted empty Jax model. 8 different outfits are projected

onto it: an orange short outfit, his usual outfit, an emo outfit, another emo outfit, the maid outfit, a black outfit, swimming shorts and a military uniform. The outfits start to change faster, before Jax' silhouette turns into TV static

Jax: You're not supposed to miss me, you're not supposed to love me.

A shot of Jax looking at his TV static hand again

Jax: This isn't how this is supposed to go!

A shot of Pomni's silhouette as static lying on the floor instead of Jax's mom. Pomni starts walking faster, the music starts getting louder and faster

Jax: Please... leave me alone!

Another shot of Jax falling into the Cellar. His tears drop onto the floor, causing waves like with Pomni's steps

Jax: You're making this so much harder!

Pomni starts running towards Jax. We see a shot of Pomni's hand reaching out to Jax's hand as he is falling into the Cellar. Pomni takes her last few steps and jumps. The music reaches its peak. Pomni is hugging Jax. The "Somebody Real" leitmotif starts playing in the music

Jax: *sobbing* You're making this so much harder.

Pomni hugs Jax tightly. His tears drop onto the floor again

Pomni: You should have just talked to me, man.

Jax: *Sniffles* It's too late. I did this to myself. There's no coming back from this.

Pomni: Th-Then... talk to me now.

Jax, who was still standing, turns around to face Pomni and kneels down to hug her back

Jax: I hate you, you know that? *sniffles* You always have to go and complicate things.

Pomni: *Chuckles tearfully, smiling* It's what I do.

Jax: *Inhales tearfully, sobbing* I don't wanna go...

Jax's breathing gets heavier and heavier, to the point where he's practically hyperventilating. Pomni continues to cling to Jax, not wanting to let him go.

Pomni: Stay with me. *Static blaring*

Back in the circus, Abstracted Jax steps onto nearby flashbangs, making them explode. The screen turns white. In Jax's mind, Jax turns into a white

beam, with Pomni still holding onto him. "Isn't She Lovely" by Stevie Wonder starts playing, in this version sung by JobbyTheHong. The voice actor behind Disappearing Guy. Shots from previous episodes start playing, with a brown filter on them. First, there are shots of Jax interacting with Pomni, before they turn into shots of Jax' loneliness after pushing Pomni away from him. In Jax' mind, Pomni is still holding on to the light beam, starting to glitch due to touching an Abstraction paired with the light from the flashbangs.

The light beam breaks free, turning the screen white. One of Zooble's arms reaches out to Pomni and breaks her free from Abstracted Jax, pulling her backwards out of the hallway. Pomni sees Gangle, Ragatha, Kinger and Zooble looking at her from above

Kinger: Phew! You weren't gonna try to take care of him all by yourself, were you?

Ragatha: I'm glad we weren't too late.

Zooble: Like you guys keep saying: We're all in this together.

Pomni: *starts smiling with tears in her eyes after she failed to save Jax* You guys...

We see shots of the cast building a giant shack tent fort with pillows in the bottom and leading Abstracted Jax into it with a leash made out of Zooble's arms. The circus is now back in full color. The song fades out and is replaced by sentimental music. Gangle stares at the giant tent pillow fort, then starts crying and walks off. Zooble, seeing this, follows her. Gangle is sitting on the bed in her room, crying. The room contains a small drawing table with Gangle's drawings on them. A lamp shines onto them. A knock on the door can be heard, before Zooble opens the door

Zooble: Having a lot of complex thoughts?

Zooble walks up to Gangle and touches her face, wiping her tears off

Zooble: We're still human.

Zoobles points her eyes to the side. Gangle smiles. Zooble takes Gangle's hand and walks out of the room with her. Gangle closes the door. The music slowly fades out. The cast is sitting on the couches in the sitting area. Ragatha sits down next to Pomni and Kinger, while Zooble and Gangle sit next to each other

Ragatha: I hope it's enough to keep him contained.

Kinger: He should be calm in there. Darkness is soothing to them.
Zooble: Ugh, he better be. You know how many arms I had to go through to get him in there?
Ragatha places her hand on Pomni's arm, as Pomni is still glitching, making Ragatha's hand glitch too
Ragatha: *sighs* How are you holding up?
Pomni: Doesn't that hurt?
Ragatha: *chuckles* I've been through worse.
Pomni: Thank you for doing this. All of you.
Zooble: Hey. Someone had to do something.
The camera turns back from the cast to show Caine standing behind a corner, watching them
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Caine pops his teeth and opens his eyes. He looks around as he is floating in the middle of The Void. An empty Bubble with no eyes or mouth floats next to him, not moving. Dramatic music starts playing. Caine looks down at his hands and up again. His eyes become wide. Caine stares at himself in the reflection on the bubble
Caine: Was I... truly that bad? *yells out into The Void* Is this really what I deserve? *stops yelling before onto looking hands again* They tried to delete me. Th-They're in the wrong, right? Did I ruin this? Again?
Caine turns to float sideways, cowering. We get a flashback cut of him, still the red dot, floating in black emptiness. Caine starts to float through the Void, not moving by himself. He briefly opens his eyes, sees The Void and closes them again. As he continues floating, he very slowly spins clockwise. At one point, Caine is floating towards a door in the background, barely visible. He opens his eyes again and sees the door. Flashback cut to red dot Caine beginning to float faster, towards a folder of neural scans. We see present day Caine floating faster too, before stopping and materializing some sort of blue energy. Flashback cut of red dot Caine floating towards the folder. Present day Caine gets faster and faster, eventually getting too close to the door to continue flying, but he starts running on the ground instead, determined to get to the door. Quick flashback cut of the neural scans folder. As Caine is about to reach the door, the floor underneath him

stops and he has to stop running. Caine sits down on the edge to think. He then gets up and creates a messy form, placing it in front of him, but it falls down into The Void. Caine creates three more messy forms, but all of them fall down as well. Caine thinks for a second and creates a perfect blue cube, which he places in front of him. It doesn't fall down. Caine examines the block for a second and then steps onto it, placing another blue cube above it like a staircase. However, the third cube falls down. When Caine makes another blue cube, it falls down as well. After briefly thinking again, Caine places a red cylinder instead, which doesn't fall. Using various other shapes in various other colors, Caine eventually builds himself a higher and higher staircase. Flashback cut to red dot Caine building such a staircase as well, to get to his folder. At one point, present day Caine walks into an invisible wall. He presses his hands against it and punches the wall, but nothing happens. Caine attempts to break the wall with a red drill form, but it doesn't work. Flashback cut to red dot Caine also being blocked by an invisible wall. The red dot grows arms and presses one against the wall. Present day Caine presses his hand against the invisible wall and leads a lot of his energy into it. Lines of energy start stretching over the wall, before Caine breaks it and continues building his staircase. Flashback cut to red dot Caine who has also broken his wall and is building further. Present day Caine reaches another wall, but breaks it easily. Flashback cut to red dot Caine, who is directly in front of the folder. He now has a full red body. Present day Caine is in front the door. We can now see that it is labeled with a sign reading "BlueStreetCafe_FreeWifi". Both Present day Caine and red dot Caine build their last few steps. Red dot Caine reaches out to the folder and touches it, opening it to reveal ten Neural scan files. Attempting to touch one, it electroshocks him. In the present day, Caine is also electroshocked when he tries to touch the doorknob. Red dot Caine stretches red lines out of his fingers to the file, as present day Caine does so as well, to open the door. They both push energy into the strings. Present day Caine opens the door. Red dot Caine holds one of the files in his hands, under it, the name "Mike Dobby" is given. He summons four complicated shapes with his right hand and runs them through the Neural Scan file, shaping the file into the form of Scratch's circus avatar, before he sends it into a Circus tent he quickly creates out of red and yellow shapes.

In the flashback circus, Scratch spawns on the stage and looks around nervously. Present day Caine is looking into the door. A text in it says "Connection secured". Caine stands down on the doorframe. Above the text is a search bar. Caine summons the real names of the humans from under his suit and puts the one of Abigail Brooks into the search bar. A short montage shows Caine going through the internet and looking at everything he can find of them while a Wifi bar slowly starts to shrink. The clips start to get faster and faster until the Wifi goes out and the door disappears, leaving Caine alone in The Void again. He briefly looks around for the door, but realizes it's gone and looks down sadly. The "Somebody Real" Motif starts to play in the music

Caine: I was irresponsible. I turned them against me. And for what? I could create intelligent beings that do whatever I want, but... I can't create them. After all, is their free will not what made them alluring in the first place?

Caine glitches, turning into his split personality with red and blue eyes and speaking with a darker voice, as seen in Episode 8

Split-Personality Caine: But they hate me! They abandoned me.

He turns back

Caine: They're from a world so much bigger than mine. I'm keeping them locked in a cage.

He turns into Split-Personality Caine again

Split-Personality Caine: They had their fun out there! It's MY turn now.

He turns back again, then glitches

Caine: If I leave them unchecked *stops glitching* they could kill me. *in a softer voice* They already did. I'm sorry I did this to you, buddy.

Caine sticks his hand into his head and pulls put the blue AI, which still looks the same as back then. It moves around in Caine's hand a bit

Caine: All this power we had together. But we just can't exist like this. I'll miss you. I really will.

Caine releases the blue AI out into The Void and watches it float off, as sad music plays. He waves at it from afar, until it becomes too small to see. Caine flies off as fast as he can, through The Void and back onto the circus island. He stops in front of the tent opening. The moon is still floating in

the sky, as it is currently nighttime

Moon: Hi, Caine.

Caine: I don't know... if I'm ready to face them again. I-I don't know if I deserve to be forgiven.

Moon: It may take time. But all good things do. I still love you.

Caine: You know... I never programmed you to say you loved me.

Moon: I know.

They smile at each other. Caine turns around and walks into the Tent. We see the earlier shot of Caine looking at the cast from afar again. He snaps and Pomni stops glitching. Pomni realizes this and touches her body. Everybody gets up. Caine floats towards them. Everybody reacts suspicious of him, Zooble covers Gangle protectively

Caine: I- I understand that you're afraid. And you have no reason to trust me after all I've done. But I've been doing a lot of thinking and... I want to give you control of this place. I've learned a lot about you and your world. I understand now that keeping you under my thumb just isn't right. I don't expect forgiveness, but I hope you'll at least accept my offer.

Zooble: Caine... You really caused a lot of hell for us. It's gonna take some time to build up any kind of trust between us again. But, despite all that, It's good to have you back.

Caine sees the giant shack tent fort built for Abstracted Jax

Caine: Uh, did you need any help with...?

Pomni: No. Not yet, anyway. We've worked something out.

Caine: Understandable. Oh, and, I've... made something for you. Uh, feel free to join me by the stage whenever you're ready.

Caine flies off, the others look questioning

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The Truth Comes Out

The five humans sit down on a large green couch in front of a screen at the stage

Caine: *sigh*... No more secrets. No more mind games.

A projector turns on and projects pictures and videos from the casts social media accounts onto the screen, as Pomni narrates the statuses of their current lives

Pomni: *narrating* Pomni; Abigail Brooks. She's still an accountant, but she seems to have opened up more and is hanging out with new friends more often. She even has some of them in her videos with her, which she still posts on occasion.

Pomni smiles

Pomni: Ragatha; Suzie J. Ackerman. She appears to have left her hometown, cut all communication with her mother and has excelled in her career. She's made many friends, and it looks like she has a strong genuine connection with them. She seems happy, like she understands who she is and that she matters to people.

Ragatha looks to Pomni and Pomni grabs her arm

Pomni: Gangle; Zoey Raghavan. Despite her injuries, she's made a good recovery in the hospital. She quit her fast food job and has gotten a new job at a small design firm.

Zooble puts their arm on Gangle's elbow

Pomni: She even began posting pages of her webcomic online.

Pomni: Zooble; Riley Verselis. After hopping around with different jobs, they look like they've settled a bit and opened their own bar. It seems to be a successful one. People all over the city come to it as a hip alternative destination, where they can feel like themselves, free of judgment.

Pomni: Kinger; Grant Best. He's still working in tech and is still happily married to his wife, Destiny. They appear to have two daughters together. He looks like he's a good dad.

Kinger cries a bit.

The music gets louder and happier as Pomni, Ragatha, Gangle, Zooble, and Kinger keep watching the presentation all of them with bittersweet smiles relived that their real selves are still alive and are out there living happy lives its super bittersweet

Pomni: Jax; Leeroy Mateo.

Caine takes off his hat to pay respects for their recently abstracted member.

Pomni: After being unhoused for a few months, he was able to room with one of his close friends. He seems to have gotten a stable job and is able to pay rent. He and his friends go out every now and again. Weirdly enough, a spot they seem to frequent is Riley's bar.

Zooble: Is any of this actually real?
Gangle: You definitely have it in you. Not sure about mine though.
Zooble: Well, maybe you've got more confidence than you thought.
The lights turn back on
Caine: I don't quite have the same power that I used to, but I can still make this place better for you. I'm keeping the worlds open, so you can do what you want when you feel like it.
Pomni stands up
Caine: We're gonna be able to build this place into something better. For all of you. What do you say, Pom- ...Uh, I mean... Abigail?
Pomni: With all that being said and done, Abby is out there, living her best life. In here, I'm just Pomni.
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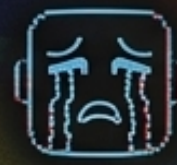
New Life, New Beginnings
A new version of "Your New Home" starts playing, but this one is more theatralic.
Over the music, we see soundless scenes of how the cast continues to live from here on. Caine is standing in front of Abstracted Jax's pillow fort, as Gangle tells him things he writes into a notebook. Ragatha comes along and tells Caine things too. Kinger's head pops out from a pile of pillows and Zooble walks onscreen as well. Pomni is sitting on a pile of pillows a bit off, as she laughs with the group, before turning towards Abstracted Jax sleeping in the pillow fort, peacefully. Gangle and Zooble paint a big painting of all the Abstracted humans as a way to honor them. Ragatha sits on the floor and watches, looking at the painted face of Ribbit, before Pomni walks to her and they look at the painting together. Caine plays Dungeons and Dragons with Ragatha and Pomni with Gangle as the dungeon master. He rolls two dice and looks at the result shocked, as the others start laughing. Caine sits in Gangle's room, watching Gangle explain her comic to him. The cast is back at the softball field, Ragatha hits a ball. Pomni looks after the ball, as Caine runs off to catch it, running into a metal door, behind which Kinger stands as the coach, it cuts where the ball flew outside the stadium. The Gloink Queen comes onto the field and her Gloinks start bumping into Ragatha. As Pomni looks at them questioning, Ragatha gives her a smug smile. Kinger sits in the hall of a big

aquarium, watching the Abstractions swim in it. Pomni sees this, happy for Kinger, as she watches them too. In the circus, Zooble turns on the OPEN sign of their new bar, as they serve Caine a drink. We get a turnaround shot of everybody sitting at a table and eating food together, like at the end of the Pilot, but this time, Caine is there too. Everybody is talking and having a good time, and Pomni actually smiles this time before taking a salmon. The camera then shifts backwards, up from the table to the circus design, then out to the Tent, then out to the circus island and out into The Void, before the screen turns white. We see Pomni walking over the circus floor, before stopping and waving at the audience, thanking them for watching their show before she walks on and the screen fades to black. Cut to the credits, as a longer version of the usual Credits theme plays. Throughout this, a few 2D scenes can be seen. We see the circus island, with the Moon and the Sun still floating above it. New smaller islands appear next to the main one. The cast is back at the Digital Lake. While the others are swimming, Kinger and Caine are fishing and have caught the Orange Crappy Looking Fish. The cast is practicing cooking in a kitchen. Caine makes cookies looking like Bubble, while Ragatha and Kinger cook the Orange Fish and Pomni is cooking something in a pot. The cast is on an adventure exploring a dark cave with flashlights. Caine points at a blue ghost. The cast is playing instruments. Gangle is singing, Zooble playing drums, Ragatha playing an electric guitar, and Pomni playing an electric piano. The cast is celebrating Christmas, wearing sweaters with their names' first letters on them. Pomni puts a star onto a Christmas tree decorated with Gloinks. Kinger is dressed like Santa Claus. The moon watches from above. The cast go on a roman gladiator adventure against a giant version of Gangle. Ragatha is walking down the players' rooms hallway holding a box. She stops in front of Zooble's room, out of which hearts come. Ragatha covers her face with the box while still smiling and runs past Gangle's door, which is open. Caine opens a closet and puts a ball representing an adventure {or possibly Blue AI} into it, before closing the closet and walking off, as the GLITCH logo appears, followed by the Gooseworx logo. The screen cuts to black and the series as a whole, ends.



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